



Crompton House School Library



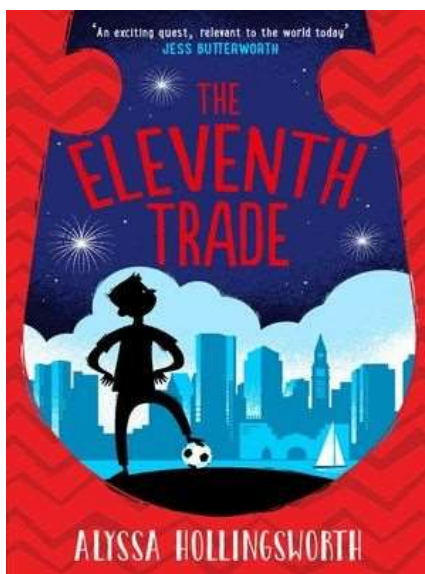
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Welcome to issue 33. This week hosts 'Empathy Day' and the beginning of UEFA Euro 2020 tournament and so this edition has lots of information and activities around these events. There are some particularly great live events taking place hosted by well-known children's authors, read on to find out more and don't miss them!

Book Review

The Eleventh Trade – Alyssa Hollingsworth

Age 11+



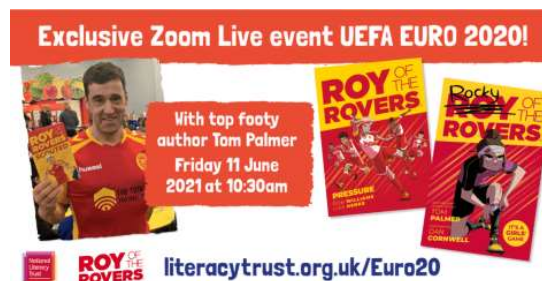
For fans of WONDER and REFUGEE BOY - meet Sami, a twelve-year-old refugee from Afghanistan, as he searches for friendship, a place to call home and his grandfather's most prized possession.

On the way home one day, Sami he intercepts a football that has been kicked too hard from a game in the street. A boy from school sees his skill and Sami is invited to a local gym that hosts football games amongst many other activities. This connection leads to meeting new people, and making new friends, which Sami finds incredulous. Trusting strangers has been hard for him. These new friends help him settle into his new country, but underneath Sami is mourning the loss of a stolen rebab that belonged to Baba. Back in Afghanistan, before the Taliban came, Sami's grandfather was a famous musician. People would come from miles around and pay thousands to hear him play the rebab. Now Sami and his grandfather are refugees living in Boston. The rebab is their most valuable possession and a reminder of home. Then one terrible day, the rebab is stolen. Sami's grandfather is devastated. His last link with home is gone and with it, his livelihood. Sami resolves to get the rebab back as a surprise for Eid. When he finds it on eBay, with a hefty price tag attached, he begins to trade the few possessions he has - and as he does, he finds, to his surprise, that there are all kinds of people willing to help.

This book is a new addition to Sora. Read it by logging onto Sora [here](#).

UEFA Euro 2020 – Reading Activities – Tom Palmer

Inspired by UEFA Euro 2020 tournament, National Literacy Trust have partnered with brilliant children's author Tom Palmer to create a live online event and story kicking off at 10:30 on 11th June to encourage children to read for pleasure through a love of football. Tom will be reading from his new story **Euro 2020 – A Ghost Story** during June and July. For more information or to register for Toms online event visit [here](#) and you can read the first chapter of the story [here](#).



Empathy Day – 10th June.



Empathy Day takes place this week on the 10th June and the [Empathy Lab](#) are running lots of great activities from their website. Some of the activities include events with authors and illustrators such as Holly Bourne, Malory Blackman, Cressida Cowell, Rob Biddulph and more starting with a live 10:00am event with Cressida Cowell. Find out more [here](#). You can find lots of titles from Empathy Labs 'reading for Empathy collection 2021' on our online library Sora and therefore read for free!

Recommended Sporting and Empathy Sora Reads

In keeping with the UEFA sport and Empathy theme, there is a great selection of reads on Sora. I have included a selection of recommendations below. However, whether its football or another sport you enjoy, you can check them out by logging into Sora [here](#).



Great websites and Information

- Look out for the CHS Summer Reading Challenges coming out within the next few weeks.
- The Carnegie/Greenway book award votes are now in and the shortlist will be announced on Wednesday 16th June at 12pm. Our shadowing group's favourite was 'The Fountains of Silence' by Ruta Sepetys. You can watch the live streamed announcements [here](#).
- Sora – CHS online E and Audio Book has a very good fiction and nonfiction selection including the always available 'Sweet Reads' selection. There are lots of titles that are 'always available' with no holds or waiting times. Log in [here](#)



Share Your Creations with me

Share your book reviews, activities, artistic creations, or any other literacy related ideas, I would love to see them.

You can contact/tweet me and email reviews etc. on the details below. Happy reading.

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