



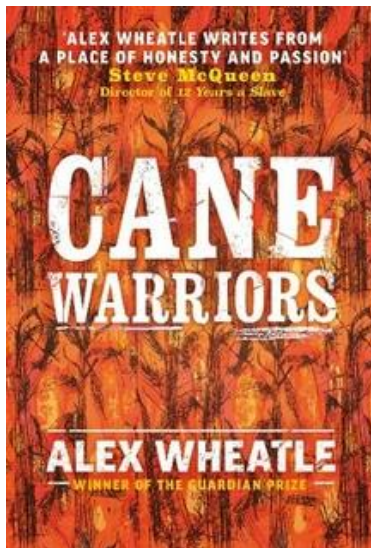
CHS Library Newsletter - Issue 45

“Loving God, Caring For Each Other and Achieving Excellence”

Welcome to issue 45 of the CHS Library Newsletter. Lots to share with you in this edition! October was home to Mental Health Awareness Week and Black History Month, and we have been very busy with various projects and activities to support this. November is ‘Non-Fiction November’ celebrating readers that have a passion for information and facts and we have some great recommended reads to share with you. There is information around our #WriteaSmile postcard project, Drop Everything and Read, Scholastic Book Fair and much more. I do hope that you enjoy this issue.

Featured Book Reviews

Cane Warriors – Alex Wheatle

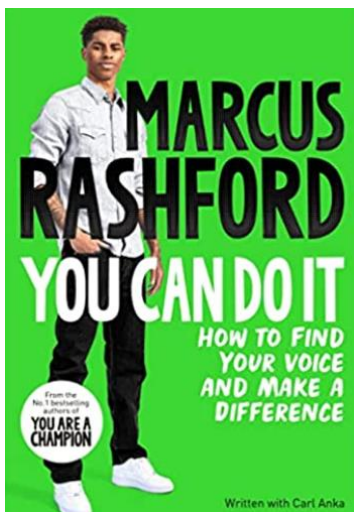


Diverse/BAME/Family/Historical/War/ - Age 14+

Nobody free till everybody free. Moa is fourteen. The only life he has ever known is toiling on the Frontier sugar cane plantation for endless hot days, fearing the vicious whips of the overseers. Then one night he learns of an uprising, led by the charismatic Tacky. Moa is to be a cane warrior, and fight for the freedom of all the enslaved people in the nearby plantations. But before they can escape, Moa and his friend Keverton must face their first great task: to kill their overseer, Misser Donaldson. Time is ticking, and the day of the uprising approaches

This book is featured in our new ‘Teacher/Student VLOG created by our student book council the ‘Novellas’ in support of Black History Month. You can view the VLOG here <https://bit.ly/3DSxuuRCaneWarriors>

Printed in a dyslexia friendly format.



You Can Do It – Marcus Rashford

Non-Fiction/Bullying/Mental Health/Sport/Diversity – Age 9+

Marcus uses the power of his voice to shine a light on the injustices that he cares passionately about, and now he wants to help YOU find the power in yours! From surrounding yourself with the right team, to showing kindness to those around you, to celebrating and championing difference, *You Can Do It* shows you that your voice really does matter and that you can do anything you put your mind to. You don't have to be an international footballer to make a difference – even the smallest changes can have the biggest impact.

World Mental Health Day - #WriteaSmile Postcard Project

The #WriteaSmile postcard project created by our Student Book Council is going from strength to strength. During Mental Health Week in October, library lessons saw our year 7 and 8 students writing words of support and encouragement to their old primary schools and also spreading the message wider to our church community. Postcards were handed out at Thornham St James church and will be posted out to primary schools this week. Research shows that reading for 10 minutes every day can have a huge impact on our mental health and so as part of Mental Health Awareness Week we carried out a 'Drop Everything and Read' activity after watching our #WriteaSmile video which you can also view [here](#).



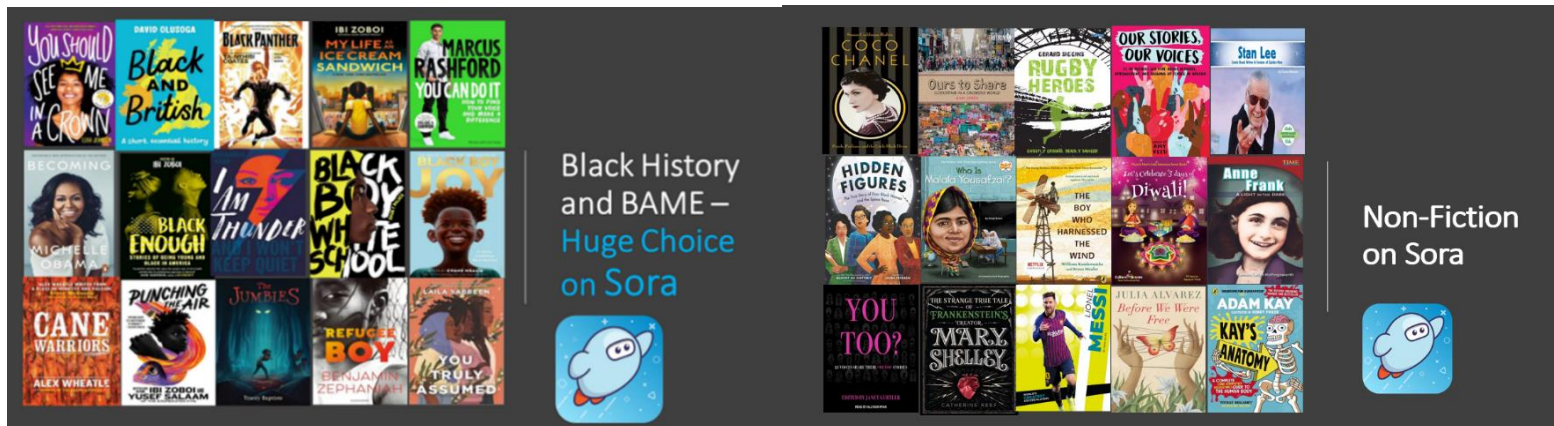
Non-Fiction November 2022

Non-Fiction November is an annual celebration of information books for children organised by the Federation of Children's Book Groups. The whole month celebrates all those readers that have a passion for information and facts and attempts to bring nonfiction celebration in line with those of fiction. The theme this year is communication and there are events, a blog tour, suggested book lists, a competition and much more to look forward to. Check out the website [here](#) for details. The National Literacy Trust also have great resources around Non Fiction November click [here](#) for more information. I have listed some recommended reads below.



Non-Fiction and books to support Black History Month on Sora

There are some great reads on Sora, and I have included some examples below. There are also some great Biographies and Autobiographies to support 'Non-Fiction November'. You can find more by linking to Sora [here](#) if you are unsure how to log onto Sora instructions can be found [here](#)



Remembrance

CHS will be marking Remembrance through various activities and assemblies throughout this week and there are lots of books on Sora and also on in our school library to support this very important occasion. Tom Palmer children's author has some brilliant resources on his website There is a whole section on Remembrance including a video and a free 3 part read aloud story called the Barnbow Lasses. You can access this [here](#).



Scholastic Book Fair

Students have had a great time browsing new books from our Scholastic Book Fair last month and thanks to parents, carers and staff, we raised over £400 in free books for the school library! A huge thanks to everyone who supported the Book Fair.



Great websites and Information

- National Literacy Trust have some great information, activities and a competition for younger readers [here](#)
- The Reading Agency developed the 'Reading Well' initiative which is a selection of books chosen by health officials helping young people to manage health and wellbeing including bullying. You can find out more about the titles [here](#), but we do have some of these titles in the school library.
- Sora our online E and Audio Book free library over 3000 e and audio books to choose from. More information about Sora [here](#)



Share Your Literacy Activities 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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