

THE LIBRARY MONTHLY



National Poetry Day

Thursday 5th October is National Poetry Day and encourages everyone to make, experience and share poetry with family and friends. This year's theme is **Refuge - which is the state of being safe or sheltered from pursuit, danger or difficulty.** Think about what refuge means to you, is it a place, a person or an object which makes you feel safe? Come and see the poetry display in the library for some more examples of poems which can inspire and inform you!

My Treasures by Kate Wakeling

These are treasures that I keep,
I hold them close before I sleep.
A silver coin,
a twisty shell,
a leaf that has a lovely smell,
a birthday badge,
an apple pip,
a very shiny paperclip,
an acorn cup,
a curly straw,
the key to a forgotten door.
These are treasures that I found,
I keep them safe,
I keep them sound.

Black History Month -Saluting our Sisters

Black history month celebrates those who have always been at the forefront of social justice movements, fighting against oppression and paving the way for change. However, despite their countless contributions to society, the achievements of black women, in particular, have too often been overlooked or forgotten. That is why, this year, the exceptional achievements of black women will be celebrated with the theme of 'Saluting our Sisters' highlighting the crucial role that black women have played in shaping history, inspiring change and building communities. This year's celebration will showcase pioneering black women who have made remarkable contributions to literature, music, fashion, sport, business, politics, academia, health care and more. Find out more at: **blackhistorymonth.org.uk**

Dates to note this month:

Black History Month

Dyslexia week 2nd - 8th Oct

World Space Week 4th – 10th Oct

Harry Potter Book Day 12th Oct

> Half term week 23rd – 30th Oct

Book of the Month

Rapunzella, Or Don't Touch My Hair by Ella McLeod

A girl spends her time at the hair salon - a space of safety, possibility and dreams of hair so rich that it grows into something alive and magical. Rapunzella is imprisoned in an enchanted forest made of her own Afro and the might of the evil king seems unstoppable. But is it? Two girls. Two worlds. Will they find the power to change their futures? A one of a kind debut where poetry, prose and fairy tale weave an electrifying coming-of-age story.

