



Building Personal Success



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Dear Parents and Carers,

Each half term, each class is given two PSHE (Personal, Social and Health Education) inspired books to read in class. The children listen to the story, then think about all of the concepts to do with PSHE which the book relates to. They turn these concepts into philosophical questions and they then discuss the possible answers to these questions.

The children are encouraged to use their skills to define and refine questions, find meanings, justify their ideas and explain what they mean. They learn to speak with confidence, they learn to listen well to each other and they learn to build on the thoughts and ideas of each other to create a meaningful dialogue. They find polite ways to say that they agree and disagree with each other's points of view and they practise finding examples and evidence to describe and clarify their thoughts and opinions – all at a level appropriate to their age.

This activity aims to build communities of enquiry where children develop their creative, critical, caring and collaborative thinking skills.

Caring Listening, concentrating, valuing and appreciating e.g. showing interest in, and sensitivity to, others' experiences and values.	Collaborative Responding, communicating, supporting and conciliating e.g. building on each other's ideas, shaping common understandings and purposes.
Critical Questioning, interrogating, reasoning and evaluating e.g. seeking meaning, evidence, reasons, distinctions and good judgements.	Creative Connecting, relating, suggesting and speculating e.g. providing comparisons, examples, criteria, alternative explanations or conceptions.

Parents are given information about these books so that, if they wish, they can read the contents of the books themselves and talk to their children about the books at home.

These are the books being used, in Year 3 for PSHE Read Aloud, this academic year:

Book and Author	Themes to be explored
Chaga and the Chocolate Factory By Bob Hartman	Read at the beginning of the Spring 2 topic about where our food comes from, this is the story of how Chaga, who is from poor family, is invited to go to a chocolate plantation where he dreams of having his own bicycle and being able to eat as much chocolate as he wants. However, once he gets there, he finds out that he has been tricked. The story shows how Chaga escapes and highlights why people like to know where their food comes from.
Giraffes Can't Dance by Giles Andreae	Used as part of the Spring 1 inspiration day. Gerald the tall giraffe wants to join in with the other animals when they dance, but he has been told that he cannot dance. This story promotes a discussion about self-belief, resilience and perseverance.
Meesha Makes Friends by Tom Percival	Meesha loves making things . . . but there's one thing she finds difficult to make - friends. She doesn't know quite what to do, what to say or when to say it. This story facilitates a discussion about the joys and difficulties of making and keeping friends.
Next Door's Dog Has A Job by Gina Dawson	This story tells the children about the role of a service dog and facilitates a discussion about how we can support people in our community.
Not Now Noor! by Farhana Islam	This story follows a young girl, Noor, as she explores the reasons why the women in her family wear headscarves.
Of Course They Do! Boys and Girls Can Do Anything by Marie-Sabine Roger	Read as part of the autumn 1 inspiration day. A book that challenges misconceptions about what boys and girls can do, for example, showing examples of a female racing driver and a male chef.
The Family Book	The Family Book celebrates the love we feel for our families and all the different



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by Todd Parr	varieties they come in. Whether you have one parent or two, a big family or a small family, a clean family or a messy one, Todd Parr assures readers that no matter what kind of family you have, every family is special in its own unique way. This book facilitates a discussion about what families have in common and how we can appreciate the family we belong to.
The Girl who Never Made Mistakes by Mark Pett	This is the story of Beatrice Bottomwell who has NEVER (not once!) made a mistake. She never forgets her maths homework, she never wears mismatched socks, and she ALWAYS wins the yearly talent show at school. In fact, the entire town calls her The Girl Who Never Makes Mistakes! One day, the inevitable happens: Beatrice makes a huge mistake in front of everyone! This story helps children to realise that life is more fun when you enjoy everything--even the mistakes.
The Huge Bag of Worries Paperback by Virginia Ironside	Wherever Jenny goes, her worries follow her - in a big blue bag. They are with her all the time - at school, at home, when she is watching TV and even in the bathroom! Jenny decides they have to go, but who will help her get rid of them? This book supports a discussion with children about how they can deal with worries and anxiety, reassuring them that it is good to talk.
The Tunnel by Anthony Browne	This book explores the relationship between siblings.
Two Monsters by David McKee	Two monsters live on either side of a mountain. Sometimes they talk through the hole in the mountain, but they never see each other. One evening, they get into a silly argument about whether day is departing or night is arriving, which escalates into a rock throwing fight, which eventually destroys the mountain, and enables the monsters to see each other's point of view and live together as friends.
Under My Hijab by Hena Khan	This lovely book invites readers to understand and appreciate the hijab and the Muslim women who decide to wear it.
Voices in the Park by Anthony Browne	This is a story about a visit to the park, told from four different perspectives. It encourages the children to look at things from another person's point of view and to not be judgemental.
When I was Born by Isabel Minhos Martins	This book is all about the awe of wonder of life beginning. It talks about the adventure of discovering the world for the first time in simple and engaging language. Breathing, seeing, hearing, tasting and touch are explored.
Ug by Raymond Briggs	Read as part of the autumn 2 inspiration day, the story helps the children to find out more about discoveries were made in the Stone Age.
Under the Same Sky by Britta Teckentrup	This story is about two friends who live on opposite sides of the world. It explores friendship and facilitates a discussion about maintaining and looking after friendships.

If you would like any further information or would like to discuss these books in more detail, please do not hesitate to speak to me.

Kind regards,
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PSHE Read Aloud Books: Year 3

Term	Autumn 1		Autumn 2		Spring 1		Spring 2		Summer 1		Summer 2	
Theme	Being Me in My World		Celebrating Difference		Dreams and Goals		Healthy Me		Relationships		Changing Me	
Ghana	The Huge Bag of Worries Paperback by Virginia Ironside	Meesha Makes Friends by Tom Percival	Not Now Noor! by Farhana Islam	The Tunnel by Anthony Browne	Next Door's Dog Has A Job by Gina Dawson	When I was Born by Isabel Minhos Martins	Under the Same Sky by Britta Teckentrup	Two Monsters by David McKee	The Family Book by Todd Parr	Voices in the Park by Anthony Browne	The Girl who Never Made Mistakes by Mark Pett	Under My Hijab by Hena Khan
Namibia	Meesha Makes Friends by Tom Percival	Voices in the Park by Anthony Browne	The Tunnel by Anthony Browne	Under My Hijab by Hena Khan	Not Now Noor! by Farhana Islam	Next Door's Dog Has A Job by Gina Dawson	When I was Born by Isabel Minhos Martins	The Huge Bag of Worries Paperback by Virginia Ironside	Under the Same Sky by Britta Teckentrup	The Family Book by Todd Parr	Two Monsters by David McKee	The Girl who Never Made Mistakes by Mark Pett
South Africa	Two Monsters by David McKee	Not Now Noor! by Farhana Islam	Meesha Makes Friends by Tom Percival	Next Door's Dog Has A Job by Gina Dawson	The Girl who Never Made Mistakes by Mark Pett	The Tunnel by Anthony Browne	The Huge Bag of Worries Paperback by Virginia Ironside	The Family Book by Todd Parr	Voices in the Park by Anthony Browne	Under the Same Sky by Britta Teckentrup	Under My Hijab by Hena Khan	When I was Born by Isabel Minhos Martins
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Philosophy for Children Inspiration Days:

Autumn 1 Of Course They Do!: Boys and Girls Can Do Anything by Marie-Sabine Roger	Autumn 2 Read Ug by Raymond Briggs	Spring 1 Giraffes Can't Dance
Spring 2 Chaga and the Chocolate Factory	Summer 1 Romulus and Remus	Summer 2 Boudicca.