



Reading for pleasure

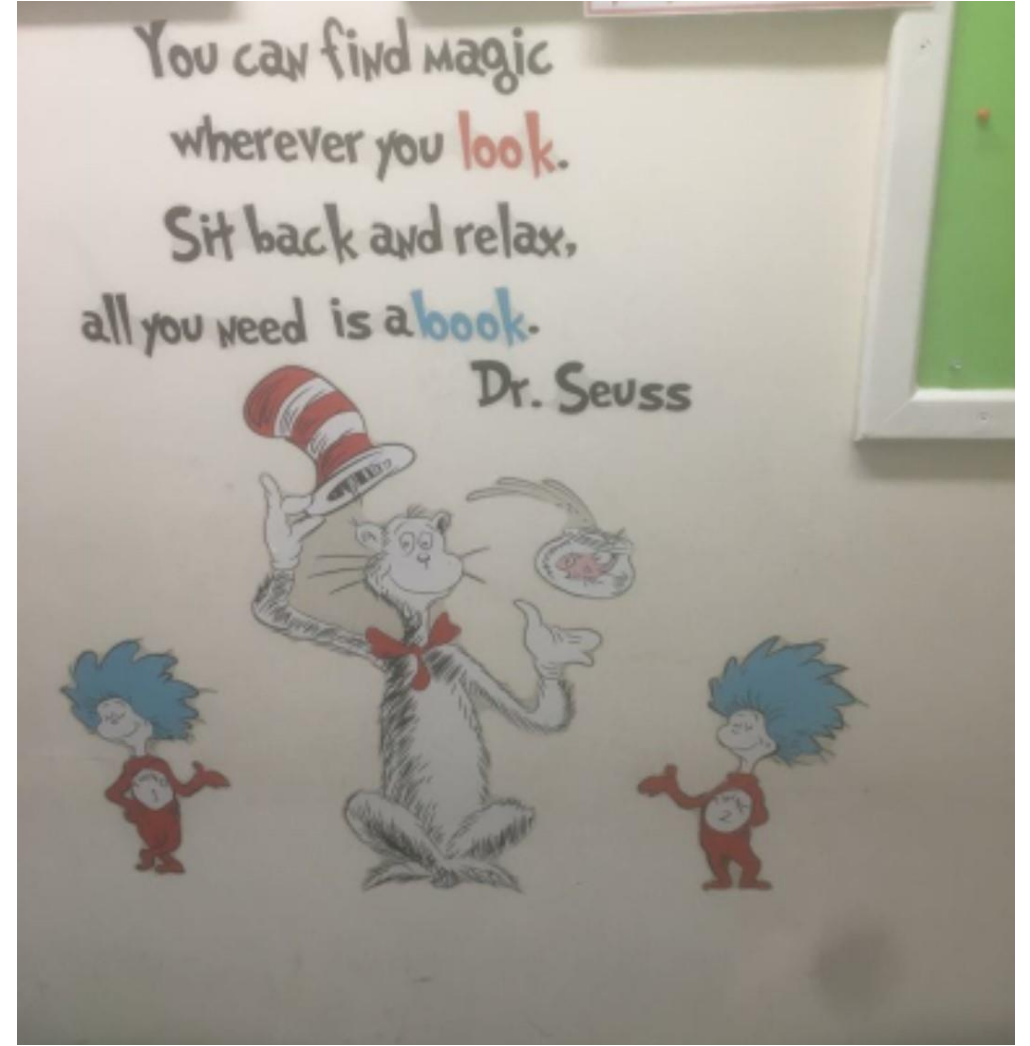
“The more you **read**
the more **things** you know.

The more that you **learn**
the more **places** you’ll go.”
-Dr. Seuss

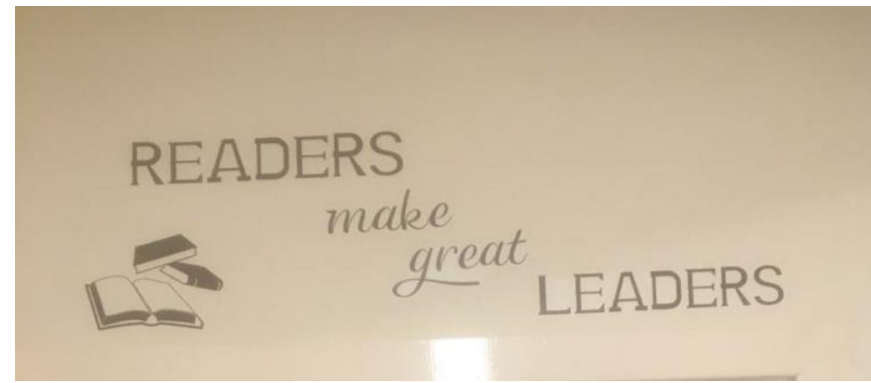
- At **St Johns Primary School and Nursery** we believe that reading is the key to unlock learning. We love books and aim to inspire and encourage all children to **read for pleasure**. Research shows a positive link between reading frequently, fluently and for enjoyment improves educational attainment. It's also a great way to relax. There is no greater pleasure than being lost in a book.
- To help our children have a **love for reading**: we share high quality texts every day. Each day we make time to sit and enjoy a book, sharing great authors, settings, characters and story lines. Our children are able to choose books to read in school and to take home from our school library and from class reading areas.

Throughout the school day and year we have lots of opportunities to inspire the **love of reading** here are just a few:

- Playground Reading Hut
- Book Week
- Competitions
- Mystery Readers
- School library open during lunchtimes
- Author and Poet visits
- Whole school reading rewards







Things you can do at home to help your child love reading:

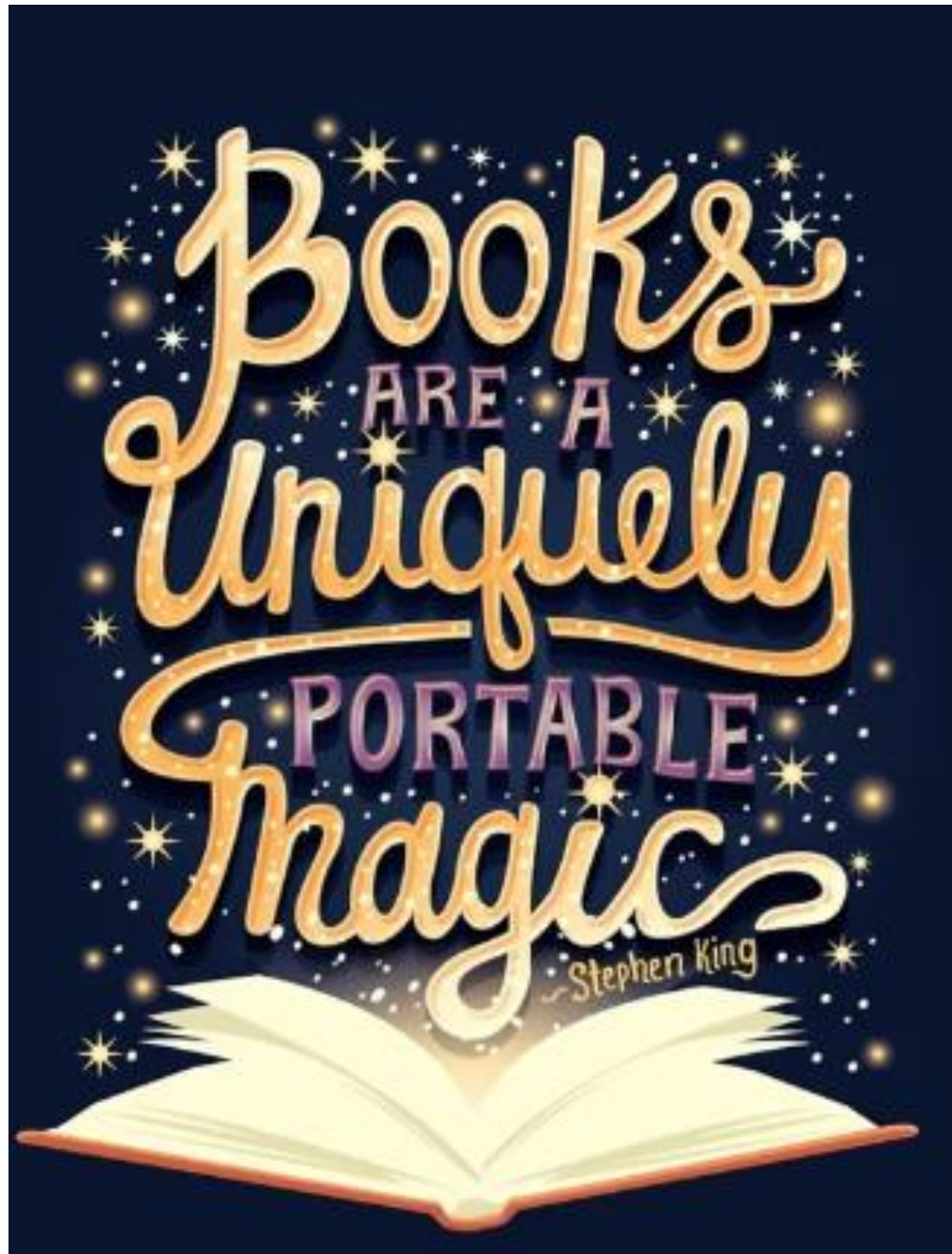
- Ensure your child reads at least 3 times per week for a minimum of 20 minutes and record their reading in their Reading Record.
- Talk about what books they are currently reading.
- Ask questions when listening to your child read aloud
- Read books to your child / read books together.
- Visit local libraries and bookshops.

Stuck for what to read?

If your child is finding it difficult to know what they want to read, here are some ideas:

- Register on the [CLPE's Core Books](#) CLPE's Core Books website for free to view regularly updated book lists sorted by age-range, genre, author or publisher.
- Visit [Accelerated Reader Bookfinder](#) which is an easy to use, free online tool which allows you or your child to search for books by interest-level and topic. You can also find collections lists of the most popular books that children are reading at the moment.

We greatly appreciate all the support you give in supporting and encouraging your children to read.



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Uniquely
PORTABLE
Magic

~ Stephen King