



# Great Barton Brilliant Book Bulletin!



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## SPARK BOOK AWARDS

We are part of the Spark Book Awards and soon we will know the 12 books that have been shortlisted!

We loved voting for our favourite books last year.



The shortlisted books will all be available in the library soon!

Welcome to the first reading for pleasure newsletter!

As a school, we are committed to teaching every child to read and the Little Wandle programme is working well.

After that comes the fun bit! We want our children to enjoy what they read. This means allowing them to follow their interests, read authors they enjoy and read any type of book. All reading is good reading, so allow them to read instructions, comics, computer game dialogue as well as fiction.

I have had the pleasure of re-organising and regularly restocking the library with up and coming children's books, the very popular graphic novels (comic type books) and new non-fiction to provide the best for the children to choose from. I help run library sessions for the younger children to choose their 'reading for pleasure' book. I am available in school for children to ask if they can't find a book they want to read. We also have the reading ambassadors who attend our Biscuit and Book Club who can also provide peer recommendations.

I'm really looking forward to us all working together to enable our school to be full of readers who know they have the right to choose what they read.

If you are looking for some recommendations for Christmas gift ideas then Books for Topics have some great year group recommended reads posters:

<https://www.booksfortopics.com/booklists/recommended-reads/>



## Do you have a free library card?

Another fantastic, free resource is Suffolk Libraries (Thurston, Bury St Edmunds etc) where, once registered, children can borrow up to 20 books at a time! This gives them the chance to try different types of books and authors, some books they won't like and that's ok. However, I'd hope they will discover more books that they do want to read - all without costing you anything!

<https://www.suffolklibraries.co.uk/borrow/read/faqs/joining-the-library>



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