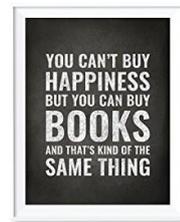


The Big BPS Book Fund 2020



Thursday, 16th July, 2020

Dear Parents, Carers and friend of Bewdley Primary,

As we come to the end of this academic year, there is certainly a lot to reflect on; it will definitely be one we shall all remember for many years to come! However, as a school, we're now looking towards how we can support our students to ensure that, when we start back in September, we can hit the ground running! As you know, Bewdley Primary is a school with reading, books and stories at the heart of it and we have loaned out over 2000 books for students to have at home whilst home-learning has been in place. We hope that the majority of those books will come back in to school but we're aware that some of them may be a little worse for wear after months at home. From September, we're also going to need to start quarantining our reading books which means that whenever a book is returned to the library, it cannot be taken out by another child for at least 48 hours. So, in short... we need more books!

In an ideal world, our school's budget would be able to accommodate this as well as all of the necessary adaptations to both our premises and our curriculum as a result of the current situation. However, that is sadly not the case - particularly as the PTFA have not been able to fundraise this term and have therefore missed out on the funds traditionally raised through both the Easter Raffle and the Summer Fair. You may remember that a couple of years ago we created The Big BPS Book Fund and we are hoping to relaunch it now in a bid to bring in new books for the school. We are asking parents, grandparents, families, friends and local businesses to donate books to help re-energise our library and the children's love of reading.

To mark your generous donation, every book that is purchased through The Big BPS Book Fund 2020 will contain an individual insert which names and gives thanks to the donors. If you'd like to make a donation in your child's name, for a past pupil, as a family or as a business, we just need to know which name or names you would like to have on the inside cover of the book.

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We know that in the current climate it is very difficult to find spare money to donate to different causes. However, we are hoping that through the BPS Book Fund, we will be able to give a much-needed boost to the books that we can offer to our children and continue with our aim of creating an entire school of readers.

So how can we get involved?

We have created an Amazon Wish List which has allowed us to select the books that we think will really enhance our book collections. The books on the list are based on a selection of primary school 'Must-Haves' and recommendations. Our hope is that you and your child will decide together which book you would like to donate to the school. It might be that you had a favourite book when you were younger and you'd like other children to be able to enjoy it too. Perhaps there's a book that's really caught your eye and you'd like to have that one available on the shelves. If you have an Amazon account, follow the instructions overleaf to find out how to buy your book.

What if the book I want to donate isn't on that list?

It may be that we already have those books. Classics such as The Gruffalo or Charlie and the Chocolate Factory are already in our collection and so we're looking for books which will extend its diversity further. There are also some books that we know we can buy cheaper elsewhere or as part of a box set, such as Tom Gates or Diary of a Wimpy Kid. However, if you think that there's an awesome book that's missing, get in touch and we can let you know whether we've already got it and can add it to the Wish List if not.

Is there a reason why you're using Amazon?

The reason we've used Amazon is because of the Wish List and delivery facilities and, on the whole, we've found it to be the cheapest place to buy most new books. We've tried to make the scheme as accessible as possible for the majority of people.

Can we donate more than one book?

Um, absolutely!!

How will you know who the books are from?

When you order the book (as you'll see on the next page), there's an opportunity to add a free gift note. Please pop your message on there so that we know who it's from.

Where do the books need to be delivered to?

If at all possible, we'd appreciate it if you could send them to the BPS assigned address as this means we can get them labelled up over the holidays and they'll be ready to go for the start of September. However, if you'd rather have them sent to your home address and then bring them in at the start of the Autumn term then that's absolutely fine.

How much will it cost?

There are a range of books available which cost between £3.49 and £6.99. There are over a hundred titles on our current list and we have asked for a maximum of three of each book. We've done this because we don't really need 25 copies of the same book as this will limit the range of choices for the children.

Why isn't there much non-fiction on the list?

Many non-fiction books are far more expensive than fiction and we've tried to ensure that all the books on the list are less than £7.00. We're also going to be ensuring that more of our existing non-fiction library books are available as Accelerated Reader choices as soon as possible.

Are the books on the Wish List on Accelerated Reader?

Yes, on the whole. A couple aren't because they're so new but we're reliably informed that quizzes will be available for those titles very soon.

We already have that book at home. Can we just donate that one instead?

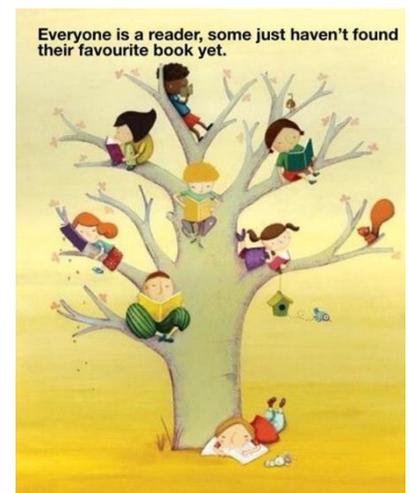
If the book is on the list and in good condition then yes please, that would be great. Just make sure that you pop a note inside it so that we know whose name to put on the label inside.

What if you run out of books on the wish list?

Well, first of all, we'd do a happy dance to celebrate all of the new books that would be coming in to school and then we'd add some more titles!

I still have questions about this, what should I do?

As we're now at the end of the school year, the best thing to do would be to send Miss Bradley an email at abradley@bewdleyprimary.wrcs.sch.uk and she'll hopefully be able to help with any queries.



Everyone is a reader, some just haven't found their favourite book yet.



How do I use the Amazon Wish List to buy a book?

You'll need to already have an Amazon account to be able to buy the book in this way.

The easiest way to access the BPS Wish List is to click on this link
<https://www.amazon.co.uk/gp/registry/wishlist/34XMO985WQZ16>

Alternatively, here are some instructions to help guide you through it.

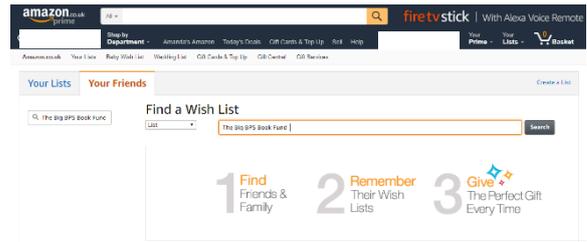
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Search using the Find a List option



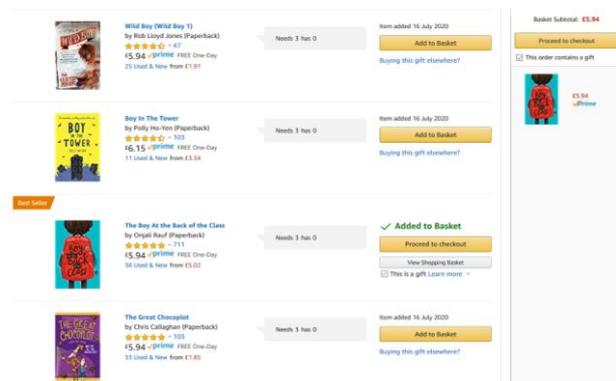
- **Step Two:**

Search for The Big BPS Book Fund



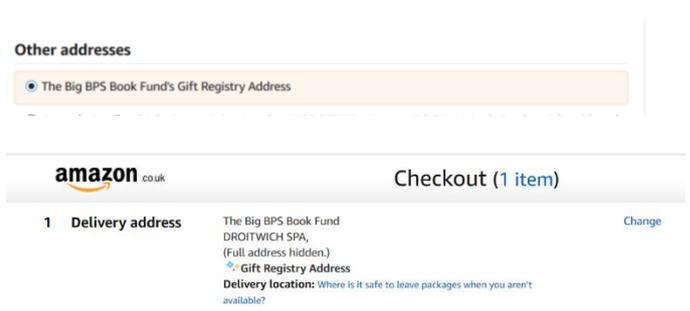
- **Step Three:**

Search through all of the books on the Wish List. Read through the blurbs together, decide which book you think the children would enjoy reading and add it to your basket.



- **Step Four:**

Select whether you'd like the book to be delivered straight to school or whether you'd rather have it delivered to your home address and then bring it into school with you.



- **Step Five:**

If you're having the book sent directly to The BPS Book Fund, please make sure that you write a message to tell us who has been kind enough to buy and donate the book. That way we can make sure the dedication is in your name.

- **Step Six:**

Sit back, relax and feel very pleased with yourselves for helping to promote a love of books at Bewdley Primary School.

