

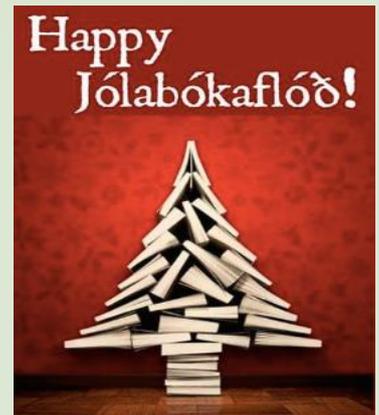
# Book Talk

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Welcome to the second issue of our '**Book Talk**' Newsletter.

Did you know that in Iceland, on Christmas Eve they have a tradition called **Jolabokaflo**d, this means "**Christmas Book Flood**" in English. In Iceland it is tradition to give and unwrap new books, cozy up with family, and read in the evening of Christmas Eve... Sounds lovely!

The tradition of Jolabokaflo



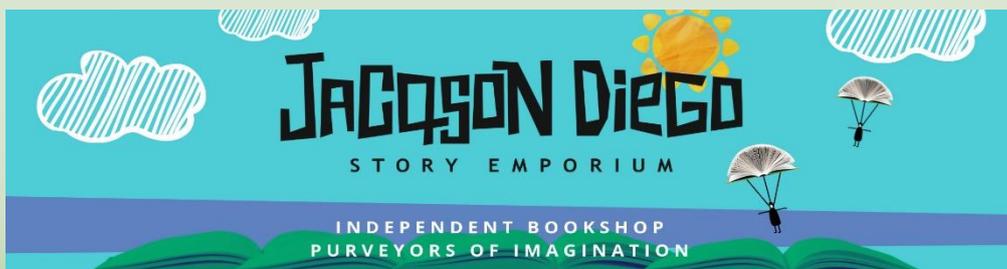
In our classes we have been enjoying reading some different festive themed books, so this month we are sending our Christmas vibes to you with our '**12 Picture Books of Christmas**' section.

There are some lovely children's Christmas themed picture books that are perfect for sharing this festive season. Please have a good browse!

## 12 Challenges of Christmas

Check out our Christmas Reading Challenge which has some great ideas to keep busy using your festive reads or any other favourite books you have these Christmas holidays.

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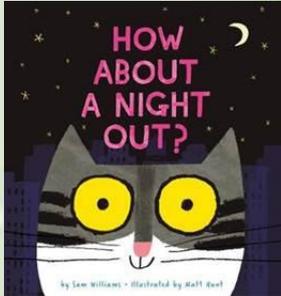


Have you visited Jacqson Diego Story Emporium? If not, why not pop along and support a fantastic independent bookshop in our local area. There is a fantastic selection of books to purchase. Check out their website for children's events as well.

[www.jacqsondiego.com/hase](http://www.jacqsondiego.com/hase).

# Story Time

Here is just a snippet of some of the classes favourite story time books this half term.



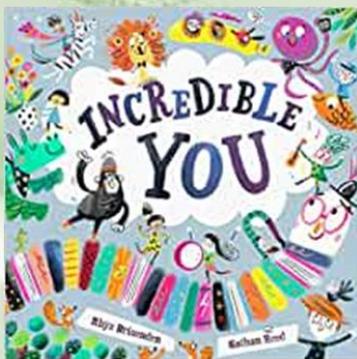
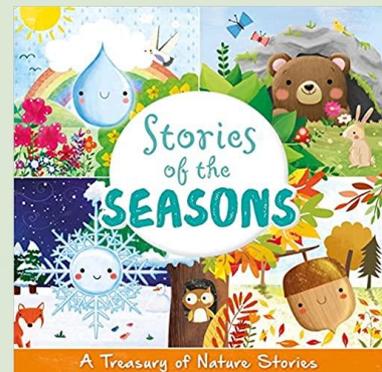
**Nursery** have enjoyed reading the book called **How About A Night Out?** by **Sam Williams**. This fun story is about what happens when night-time comes and a bunch of city cats and fun felines hit the town. They prowl around the underground station, take turns on the roundabout and swoon to the moon – but what happens when the sun comes up?

It is a fun rhyming book, the rhyme is bouncy, quirky and original, while presenting a purr-fectly regular rhyme. There's also some lovely language – swooning to the moon, catercalling and whoooo-ing.

**Peacock Class** have enjoyed reading '**Stories of the Seasons- A treasury of Nature Stories**'.

Discover the story of the seasons with four beautiful bedtime tales from the natural world. Meet a cuddly bear, a friendly raindrop, a little acorn and a shining snowflake, and learn how the world changes as the year goes by.

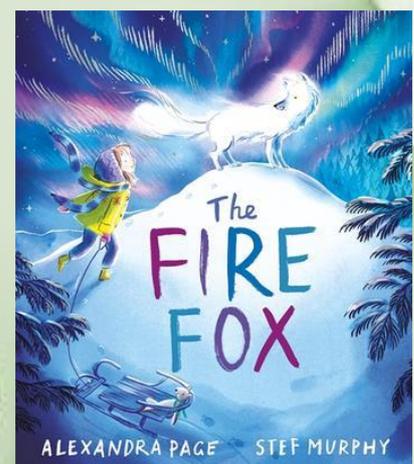
The children really enjoyed the fun stories that bring the seasons to life.



**Frog Class** really enjoyed this story '**Incredible You**' by **Rhys Brisenden**'. It is about a little boy who has a bad day and wishes he was someone else. He dreams about being a mountain gorilla or a fierce tiger! But he soon comes to realise that actually he is pretty special and he can do lots of amazing things like sing, dance and draw.

Frog Class really enjoyed this book and it encouraged a lot of discussion about all the things that make us special and unique. They loved talking about all the different things they were good at and sharing many of their talents with their friends.

**Otter Class** have enjoyed listening to and reading the story **The Fire Fox** by **Alexandra Page**. This lovely story follows Freya on an exciting adventure when she meets a magical fox in the snow. The book has beautiful illustrations by Stef Murphy which the children really enjoyed discussing and admiring. Why not give this book a read and find out what Freya gets up to on her adventure!



# The 12 Picture Books of Christmas

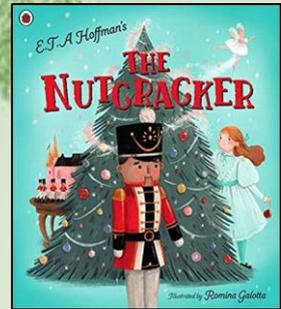
Everyone needs a great Christmas book to enjoy over the festive period. So we bring you a great collection of carefully selected Christmas picture books that could be shared at home or given as a last minute Christmas gift.



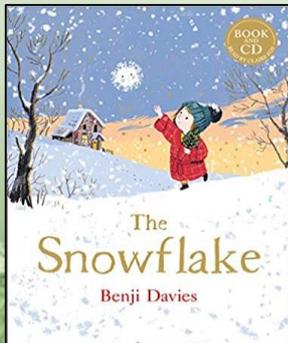
The Twelve Green Days of Christmas  
Barry Timms



The Tree That's Meant to Be  
Yuval Zommer



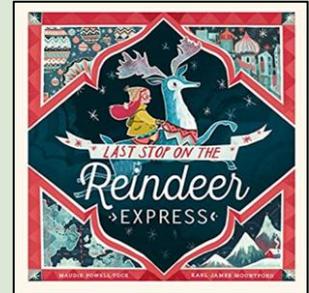
The Nutcracker  
Rhiannon Findlay



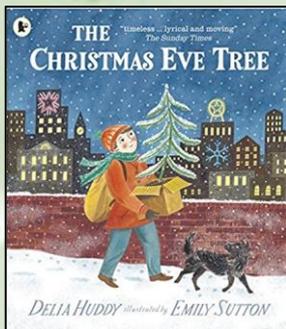
The Snowflake  
Benji Davies



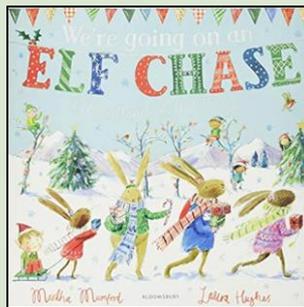
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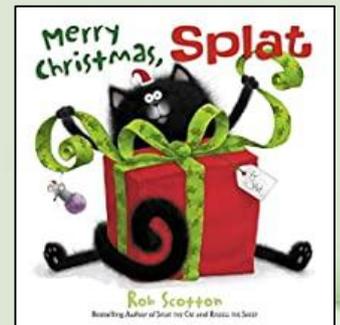
Last Stop on the Reindeer Express  
Maudie Powell-Tuck



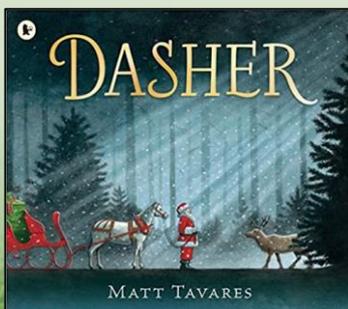
The Christmas Eve Tree  
Delia Huddy



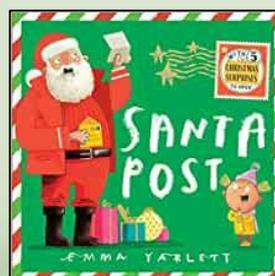
We're going on an Elf Chase  
Martha Mumford and Laura Hughes



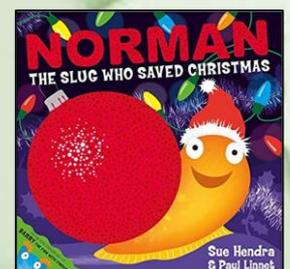
Merry Christmas, Splat  
Rob Scotton



Dasher  
Matt Tavares



Santa Post  
Emma Tarlett



Norman the Slug who saved Christmas  
Sue Hendra & Paul Linnet