

## Key areas and debates:

Read, read and read some more...

Should we discourage children from reading what they enjoy?

How do we spark a love of reading?

## Who should I follow on Twitter?



**There are many fantastic reading teachers on Twitter that offer advice/reviews on books and those that post lesson ideas too.**

Ashley Booth @MrBoothY6

Jon Biddle @JonnyBid

Teresa Cremin @TeresaCremin

Simon Smith @SimonSmm

Karl Duke. @KarlDuke8

Sonia Thompson. @Son1Bun

Scott Evans @MrEPrimary

Mathew Tobin. @Mat\_at\_Brookes

Nicki Cleveland @MissNCleveland

Alison Leach @BooksForTopics

Reading Rocks @\_Reading\_Rocks\_

Steph Elliot @eenalol

Paul Watson. @PaulWat5

**A few authors to follow to (tip of iceberg)...**

Abi Elphinstone. @moontrug

Ross Montgomery @mossmontgomery

Rob Biddulph @RobBiddulph

Jennifer Killick @JenniferKillick

Lisa Thompson @LThompsonWrites

SF Said @WhatSFSaid

Vashti Hardy @Vashti\_Hardy



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# Primary Reading for Pleasure 'on a Page'

## Resources available

### Mister Bodd Reading resources

Reading Tube Maps – Tube maps with recommended reads for children 'stuck' on particular authors or genres. There's one for 4+, 7+ and 9+

<https://misterbodd.wordpress.com/2020/05/12/reading-for-pleasure-tube-maps-mkii-2020/>

Reading Roads – A progression map of books for different genres supporting children to choose their next book based on genres that they enjoy. The bottom of the road is suitable for ks1 and the end of the road is for ks3.

<https://misterbodd.wordpress.com/2019/11/03/reading-roads/>

I see me – Inclusive books – A visual poster showing inclusive picture books for ks1 and chapter books for ks2 that can help children understand differences or enable to see themselves in a book

<https://misterbodd.wordpress.com/2019/08/14/i-see-me-inclusive-books-ks2/>

6 to get you started – A starting point for any new teacher looking for books that are appropriate for their year group. 6 different books of different genres for each year group.

<https://misterbodd.wordpress.com/2019/07/31/6-to-get-you-started/>

### Other resources

<https://www.thereaderteacher.com/> Year group reading lists and book reviews

<https://www.booksfortopics.com/> List of books that can fit any primary topic – very useful!

<https://www.booktrust.org.uk/books-and-reading/bookfinder/> Looking for a new read? Click age and genre then you'll get a list of ideas with reviews.

## What should I read?

<https://researchrichpedagogies.org/research/reading-for-pleasure> This website has many research projects that can be implemented in the classroom. There are also many interesting articles about reading for pleasure.

<https://misterbodd.wordpress.com/2019/07/28/reading-for-pleasure-easy-peasy-lemon-squeezy/> A blog about the steps to implementing reading for pleasure within your school

<https://smithsmm.wordpress.com/> Simon is a head teacher in Whitby. He is extremely passionate about reading and has produced many fantastic blogs about books that can be read here.

<https://theteachingbooth.wordpress.com/blog/> Ashley Booth is a voice that needs to be listened to. Here he writes about whole class reading and also how to build a whole school reading curriculum.

<https://readingagency.org.uk/news/blog/why-is-reading-for-pleasure-important.html> This blog from the Reading Agency sets out exactly why reading for pleasure is important.

<https://teachingandlearning-kslater.com/2019/06/20/developing-a-love-of-reading-in-the-classroom/> One teacher explains how she implemented a love of reading in her class

<http://childrenreadingforpleasure.blogspot.com/2019/06/reading-questions.html> Jon Biddle gives some questions that can spark informal book chat which is vital in supporting reading for pleasure

**Why You Should Read Children's Books, Even Though You Are So Old and Wise – Katherine Rundell**

**Alex Quigley – Closing the Reading Gap**

This book is less about reading for pleasure and more about how to make all children readers and how to support them. A very informative and helpful book

And of course if you're hoping to encourage reading for pleasure in your school, it helps if you've read a few children's books yourself.