



Writing Newsletter - Term 4 2025/26

There have been some lovely events over the Spring term which have lent themselves very nicely to writing and English links.

Renowned children's author, **Philip Kuvvadias**, visited the Upper Juniors and was able to share some brilliant writing tips and ways to generate story ideas.



In February, Reception and Infants enjoyed **drama workshops** delivered by 'Little Tanks' which inspired some lovely writing opportunities. In addition, Reception and Year 1 visited the **Maidenhead Central Library**, with all children in these two year groups now members there.



Congratulations to St Mary's winner of the **Rotary Young Writers Award** – Samarpan Chatterjee. He, his family and Mrs Conroy were invited to a recital in February where he got to read his piece along with winning entries from other schools.



Book Week was a great success and in amongst all the reading, children produced some super writing. By following along with the BBC Live Lesson, they were able to plan and write their own stories. Children also produced writing related to the word that they were dressed as on World Book Day. Some children wrote book reviews and many classes joined online 'draw along' and 'write along' author events over the course of the week.



In March, **Maidenhead MP Joshua Reynolds**, paid us a visit and talked to the children about local issues. This inspired a letter writing opportunity in the Upper Juniors who wrote persuasive letters to him about their local concerns. Other children across the school were invited to drop their questions for him into our post box.



Finally, over the Easter holidays we are inviting all pupils to take on at least **one writing task** linked to our experience and learning over **Eco Week** from how to conserve water, why trees are important or their experience this week planting as part of Earth Hour, amongst other tasks. We look forward to reading them when we come back!

Wishing you a fun and restful Easter break.

Upcoming events

Year 5 author workshop; Summer Book Fair

