



# Burford School Reading Review

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## CLPE's Children's Poetry Award 2023

The full shortlist is:

EYFS/Year 1 - Blow a Kiss Catch a Kiss by Joseph Coelho, illustrated by Nicola Killen

Year 2/3/4 - Marshmallow Clouds by Ted Kooser and Connie Wanek, illustrated by Richard Jones

Year 5/6 - Let's Chase Stars Together, by Matt Goodfellow

Year 5/6 - Choose Love by Nicola Davies, illustrated by Petr Horáček

The winner will be announced at the CLiPPA Poetry Show, live onstage at the National Theatre, Monday 10 July.

### Why read poetry?

Learning rules for writing, and then breaking them with poetry, can give writing alternative beauty. Speaking poetry aloud with its beat, rhythm, and rhyme can loosen the tongue and craft a firm foundation for verbal communication.

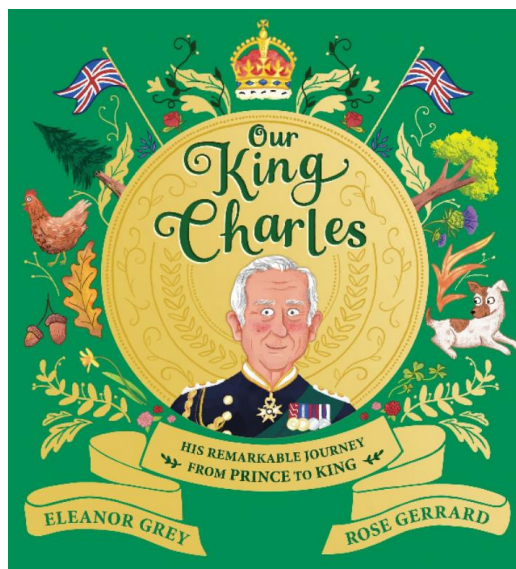
Reading poetry allows one to see into the soul of another person, see what is weighing on their minds and on their hearts, and can open doors to feelings that are sometimes suppressed until that door is opened.

Reading can shine a light on all those dark and hidden crevices of the heart and mind once thought permanently closed off to the world.



Celebrating its twentieth anniversary, the CLiPPA is the UK's leading award for published poetry for children and past winners include Carol Ann Duffy, John Agard, Jackie Kay and Michael Rosen. Valerie Bloom won in 2022 with her collection Stars with Flaming Tails. In its twentieth year, the 2023 shortlist epitomises the best in poetry publishing for children.

## Books celebrating King Charles III's Coronation



Did you know the king powers his car with cheese? Or that he was the first royal to have rescue dogs in Buckingham palace? And that he likes to shake hands with trees? Meet his beloved chickens, Jack Russells and of course, his very famous family. Discover how everything from money to postboxes get a makeover when a new monarch ascends the throne.

Charles has been heir to the throne since he was three years old, but what do we know about our new king? Celebrate Britain's newest monarch, King Charles III, and uncover his fascinating story. Trace Charles' life, from his investiture as Prince of Wales and his time in the navy, to his extensive charity work and now his accession to the throne.

Kitty is reading  
**The Great Dream Robbery**  
By Chris Smith and Greg James  
What Kitty's going to read next:  
**Kid Normal** by Chris Smith and  
Greg James

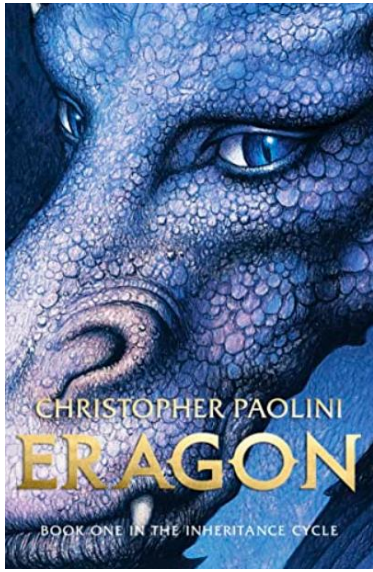
Luisa is reading  
**The Tail of Emily Windsnap**  
By Liz Kessler  
What Luisa's going to read next:  
**The 1000-Year-Old Boy** by Ross  
Welford

Finley is reading  
**The Hobbit**  
By J R R Tolkien  
What Finley's going to read next:  
**The Lord of the Rings** by J R R  
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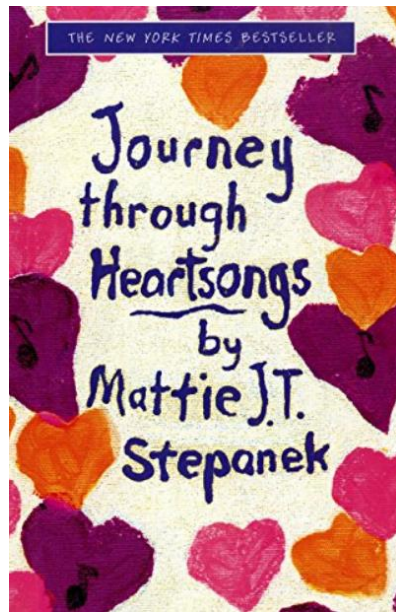
# Every reader can be a writer

Here are some young child authors in history and their bestselling works

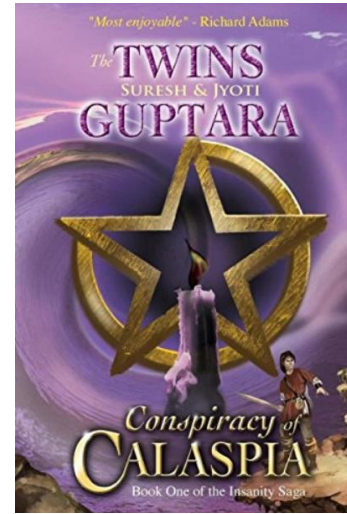
Having finished high school at just 15 years old, Christopher proceeded to write his first novel, Eragon. He was 18 when his parents' company published the book. Christopher then wrote three more books in the series, which spurred a film adaptation in 2006.



Mattie Stepanek was a boy who had a rare muscular dystrophy but managed to become a New York Times bestselling author of five books of poetry. He was also a lobbyist and peace advocate for people with disabilities.



Twins Jyoti and Suresh were 11 years old when they finished writing the first draft of a fantasy novel entitled Conspiracy of Calaspia. Within six years, the novel had soared to the bestseller list. This inspired them to expand the story into a 2,000-page trilogy.



## As well as reading books, many Burford pupils enjoy perusing magazines and comics

Here are some of our top picks:



A lot of the reading we do isn't actually from books. We read a myriad of things in our environments and homes all day long. From emails and signs to web articles and instructions, we are reading language used in many different ways throughout the day.

Which magazines and comics do you enjoy reading? Which would you recommend to your friends?

## What are the reading habits of some people in the public eye? Here are some of their favourite books of all time.

**Anne Hathaway:** The Secret Garden by Frances Hodgson Burnett

**George R.R. Martin:** Lord of the Rings by J.R.R. Tolkein

**Emma Watson:** The Little Prince by Antoine de Saint-Exupéry

**R.J. Palacio:** Norse Gods and Giants by Ingri and Edgar Parin d'Aulaire

**Kelly Clarkson:** Matilda by Roald Dahl

**Chimamanda Adichie:** The Famous Five by Enid Blyton

So many BOOKS  
So LITTLE time

Never Stop READING

READ good books

IT'S BOOK O'CLOCK

## Book Title Quiz

Can you work out the missing words in these 2023 picture book titles?

1. The Green \_\_\_\_\_ : How Little Me Found Music by Roberta Flack and Tonya Bolden
2. I am Oliver the \_\_\_\_\_ by Pam Ayres
3. Very \_\_\_\_\_ Hats by Emma Straub
4. How to \_\_\_\_\_ Like a Bear by Charlie Grandy
5. The \_\_\_\_\_ Bureau of Imagination by Brad Montague
6. Repeat \_\_\_\_\_ Me by Jazmyn Simon and Dulé Hill

ANSWERS  
1. Piano  
2. Otter  
3. Good  
4. Talk  
5. Giant  
6. After