



## Wood Ley Community Primary School

# Reading Newsletter

### *Are you celebrating Jolabokaflod this year?*

Imagine this: it's Christmas Eve and after receiving a brand-new book from your family, you cosy up in your favourite reading nook or in front of the fire with a mug of hot cocoa and spend the rest of the evening reading.

That is exactly how Icelandic people celebrate Christmas each year. This tradition is known as *Jolabokaflod*, which translates roughly to "Christmas book flood" in English.

*Jolabokaflod* started during World War II, when paper was one of the few things not rationed in Iceland. Because of this, Icelanders gave books as gifts while other commodities were in short supply, turning them into a country of bookaholics to this day! Why not start this tradition in your house this year?



Are you looking for book recommendations for your child's Christmas present?

Great recommendations can be found here:

[Key Stage Booklists | booksfortopics](#)



### Christmas Book Advent

We hope your child enjoyed receiving a book from their teacher this month.

We hope that this gift will inspire them to read over the holidays.

Some famous authors and illustrators have also made a video for the children to promote a love of reading. If you would like to watch the video, please look at our English area on our school website.



### Book Donations

We take pride in our inclusive and empowering reading areas. We are incredibly thankful to the parents who have donated books to enhance our provision this year.

If you would like to donate a book to your child's class or our school library, please click on this link:

[https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/226NSNZ7DUW4D/ref=nav\\_wishlists\\_lists\\_??\\_encoding=UTF8&type=wishlist](https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/226NSNZ7DUW4D/ref=nav_wishlists_lists_??_encoding=UTF8&type=wishlist)