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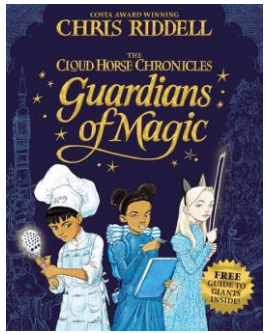
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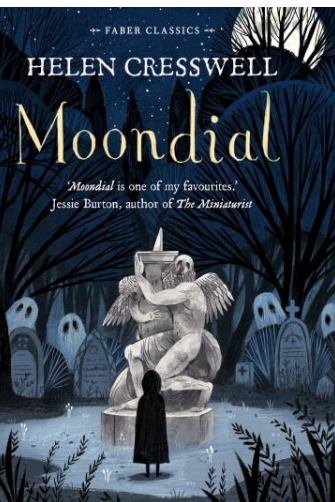
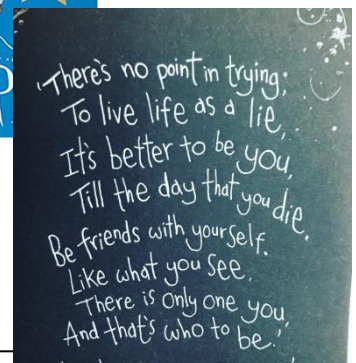
Welcome to the seventh edition of St Bede's Reading Newsletter.

Please come and see me if you'd like any suggestions for books to read.

'Guardians of Magic' is the first book in The Cloud Horse Chronicles written by the award-winning, Children's Laureate Chris Riddell. This book tells the tale of three children living in three different magical lands who are brought together throughout the story. Magic is dangerous in their land, but these three have been given something really special to help them on their way. I really loved this book. It is obviously the start of a series and this book was setting the scene for the big adventures the trio of children would have. The illustrations in the book were also brilliant. This was a very special book and I cannot wait to read the next one. This is perfect as a bedtime story.



The Truth Pixie and The Truth Pixie Goes to School are written by Matt Haig. They are about a special pixie who absolutely cannot lie and how she helps a young, lonely girl called Aada. These are lovely, little books seemingly for younger children, but with a lovely message about all kinds of important issues that would be appropriate for all ages. Some of the quotes are lovely: "There will be people you love, who can't stay for ever, And there will be things you can't fix, although you are clever."



Moondial by Helen Cresswell was published in 1987. I was convinced I had read this book, but I couldn't remember a thing about it, so decided to read it just in case. The story is about a young girl called Minty who has some mysterious powers. One day, Minty finds a moondial that transports her to the past and on her adventure she meets a boy called Tom and a girl called Sarah. Minty embarks on a mission to save Tom and Sarah and to keep herself safe from some malicious forces. This book was definitely for older children as some of the themes were a bit frightening. It does read as a bit antiquated in its tone, but I still enjoyed reading it.

The Lost Tide Warriors is the sequel to The Storm Keeper's Island. Fionn Boyle has been appointed as the Storm Keeper of Arranmore. He has to save the island and its inhabitants from the terrifying Soulstalkers. I liked this sequel, but not quite as much as I enjoyed the first. Sometimes I found the battle scenes a little confusing to read and needed to read them a few times to work out what was going on. There is a third in the series on the horizon and I would like to find out what happens to the island of Arranmore. This is definitely a book for older children.

