

# **Hello Year 6!**

# **Welcome to St Thomas More**

# **from the English Department**

...we can't wait to meet you all in September

# A few of us would like to say hello...



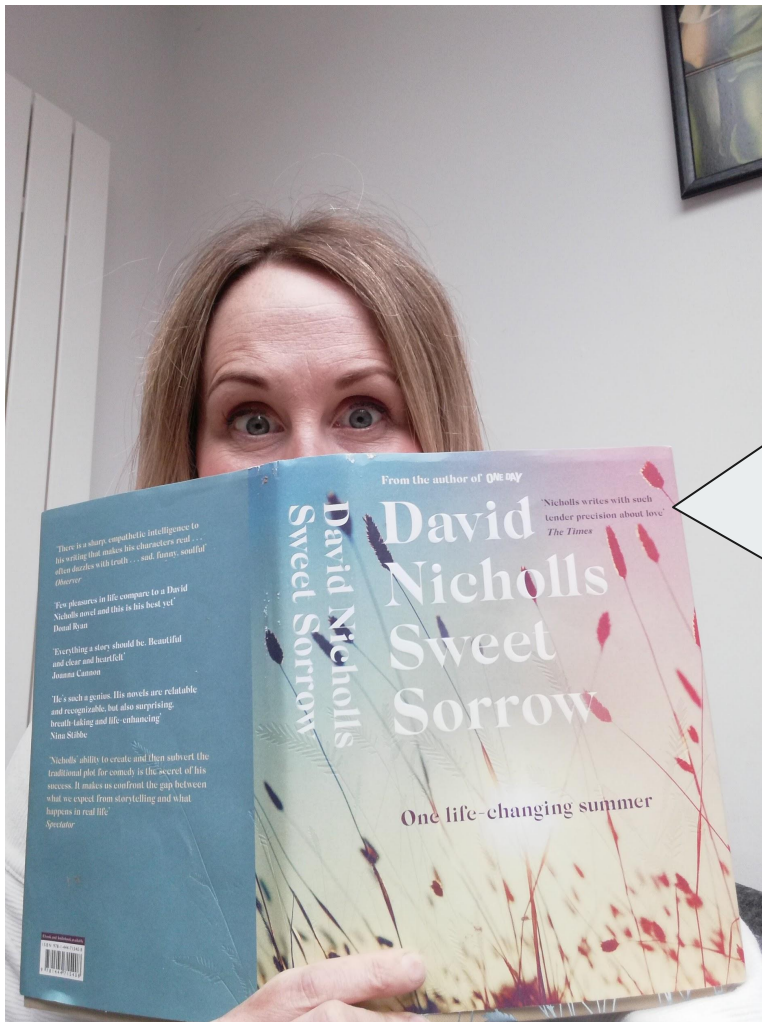
Hi, Year 6! I'm Mr Briggs. We have a fantastic range of fantasy books in our school library, and I love getting recommendations from students...  
But not Michael Morpurgo #saynotomorpurgo

Most of your teachers don't dress like this...

## My recommendations for you:

*Chronicles of Ancient Darkness* by Michelle Paver  
&  
*The Demonata* by Darren Shan  
(It's really bloody, though!)





Hello Year 6

My name is Mrs McHugh and I am really looking forward to meeting you all in September. Year 7 English at St Thomas More gives you a chance to show off everything you have learned in primary school and develop lots of new skills too! Most importantly, we want you to enjoy English and read as much as you can.

My book recommendation is Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief by Rick Riordan. It is a humorous blend of modern and mythical, and a gripping read from start to finish!





"Hello Y6. This is me, Ms Bell, doing my favourite thing and reading in the sunshine. My neighbour gave me this book which is called 'The World Versus Alex Woods' and I love it. I probably wouldn't have chosen it myself so it just shows you have to keep an open mind...on everything really. My book recommendation for you would be 'The Roman Mysteries' by Caroline Lawrence.

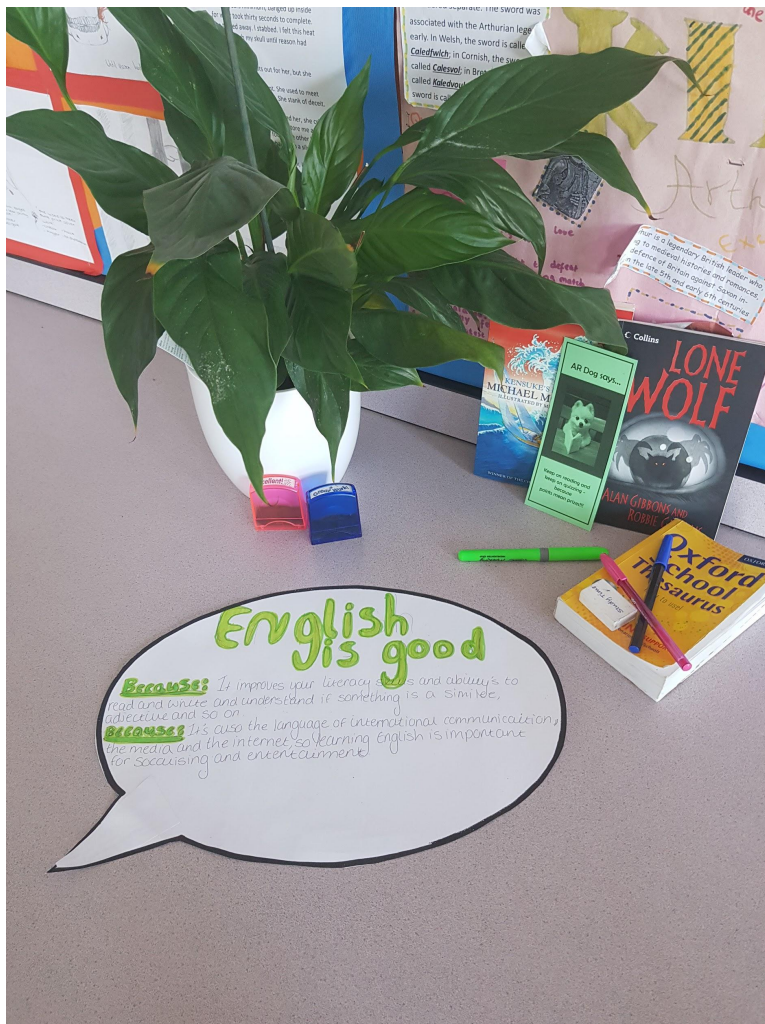


Hello future Year 7s,

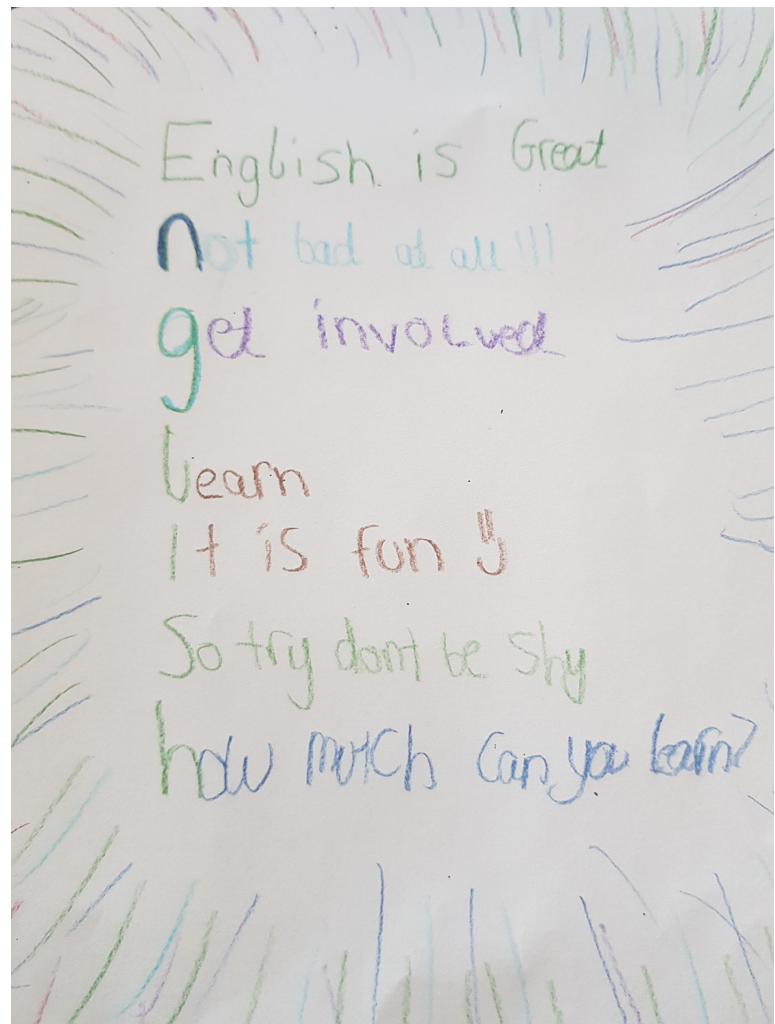
Just wanted to welcome you  
and let you all know that we  
can't wait to meet you!

We know that you will love  
English and we are looking  
forward to you joining the St  
Thomas More family.

See you soon,  
Miss Harland.



Some more comments from some of our current Year 7 students about their English lessons...





Hi everyone! I know that you will really enjoy your English lessons here at St. Thomas More. You will be doing lots of exciting activities and best of all, lots of reading! The school library is amazing and I know you will find many books you will love.

I'm really looking forward to meeting you all and hearing about your favourite books.

Mrs Warland





Hello Year 6 Mr Cooper here. I love reading, I hope you do too. Looking forward to seeing you in September. I highly recommend reading 'Hoot' by Carl Hiaasen



Hello Year 6!

I hope you are all looking forward to starting your time at St Thomas More - we are so excited to meet you.

I'm currently reading 'Pachinko' by Min Jin Lee - a book about a Korean family who move to Japan. I love how books can let you discover so many different cultures.

I can't wait to hear about all of your favourite books in September.

Miss Pattinson



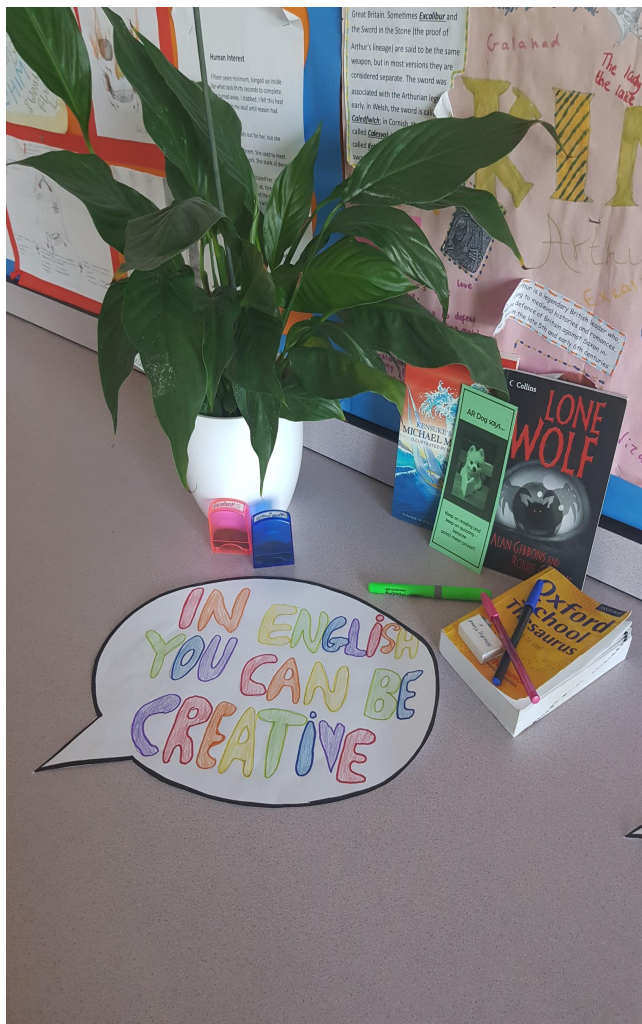
Hello Year 6,

This is me, Mrs Feeney, reading a book by a brilliant author - Jasbinder Bilan. It's set in the Indian Himalaya and has a really exciting plot, including a magical journey.

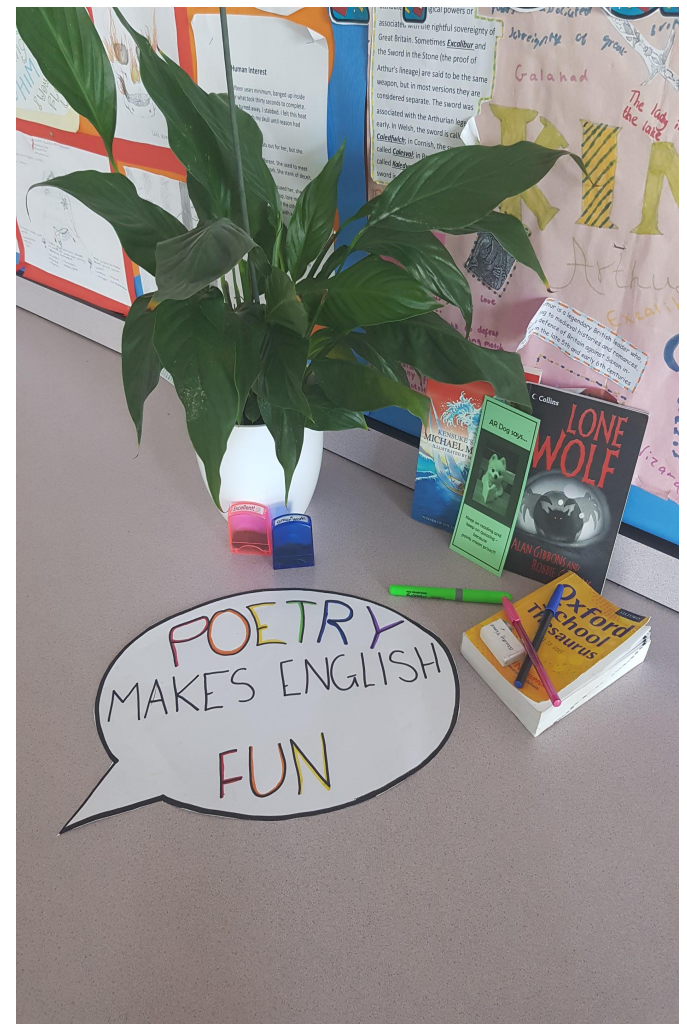


In school, you'll often find me in the school library talking about books. Outside school, you'll find me riding a bike with my family - and probably still talking about books!





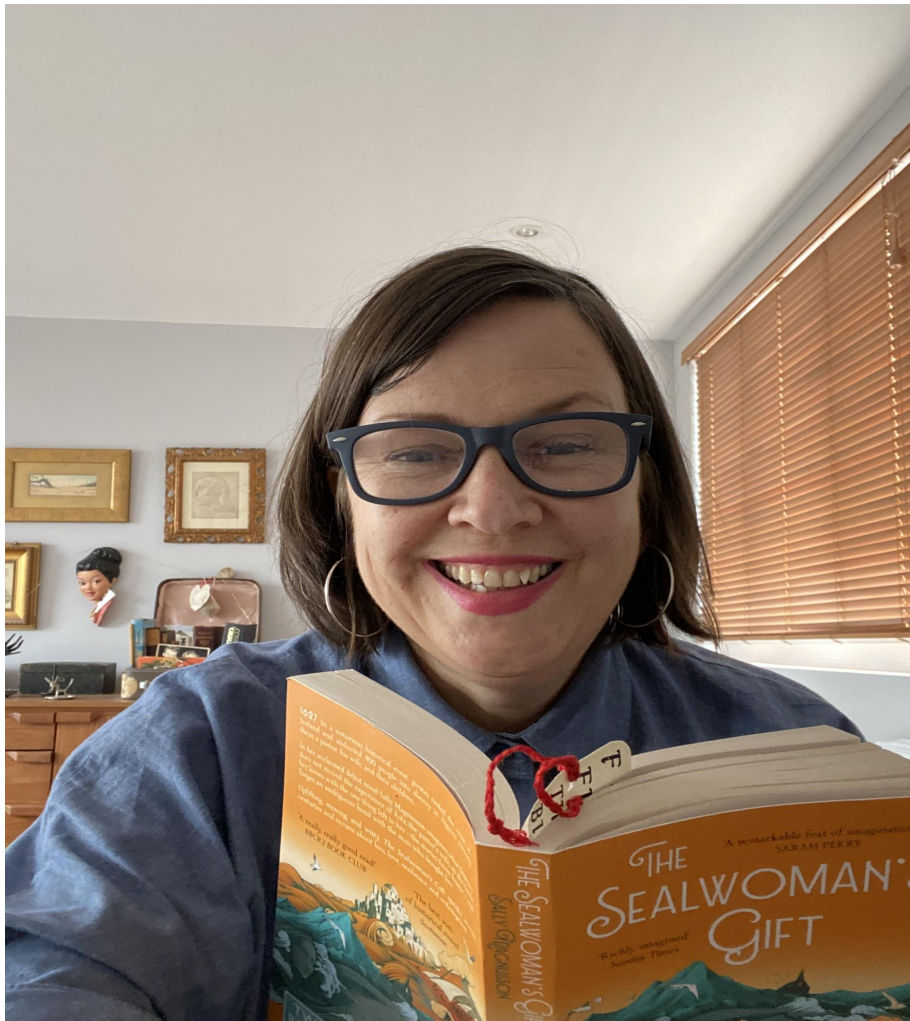
This is what some of our current Year 7 students think about their English lessons...





Hello Year 6! This is me, Mrs Thain, and the lovely Mrs Heron and Ms Kilkenny surrounded by books we love. There's nothing better than reading the same great story as your friends and having a good chat about it!

Looking forward to talking to you about all your favourites...



Hi Year 6 my name is Mrs Clughen. We're looking forward to meeting you when you join us next year. I recommend the Vampirates series of books for a story of adventure on the high seas.



Which book would you choose to read?





Hi year 6 , hope you are excited about coming to St Thomas More, I know we can't wait to meet you! I wonder if any of you have read this book? If you haven't you can when you get here, our Library is stacked full of wonderful books for you to share. Enjoy the summer , look forward to seeing you in September, Miss Kilkenny







Hi everyone! I'm Mrs Robinson. I hope you are all looking forward to joining us at St. Thomas More.

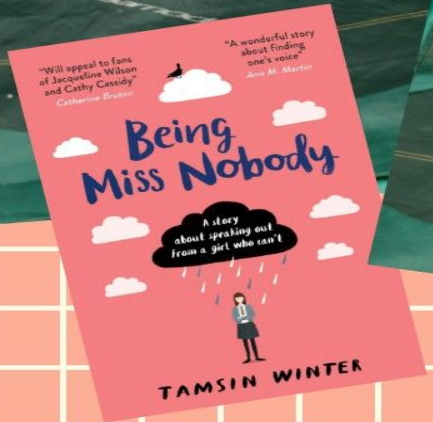
My book recommendation is called 'The Island at the End of Everything'. It includes some great vivid descriptions.

I can't wait to hear your recommendations and read some of your own work.

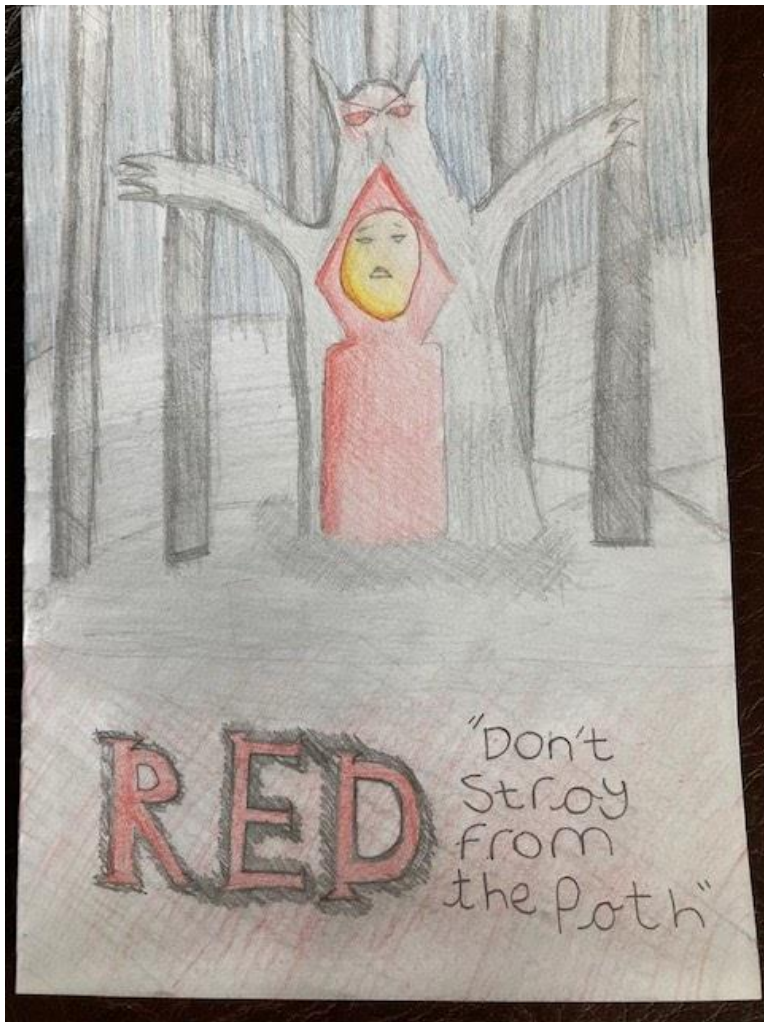
See you in September!

*This book is amazing!*

One of our current Year 7 students finding new places to read...



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Wow! How wonderful is this book front cover created by one of our Year 7 students?

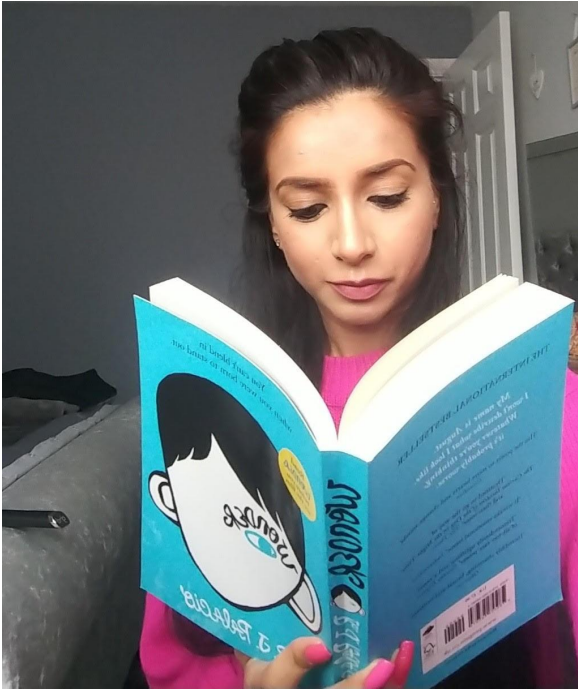
What story would you write to go with this front cover...mmm?



Hi Year 6. I'm really looking forward to meeting you all and to finding out about what you all love to read.

Michael Morpurgo is definitely one of my all time favourite writers and I'm sure you've all read some of his books. I can't wait to explore more of his writing with you in Year 7.

My recommendation for you is 'The Boy On Top Of the Mountain' by John Boyne. One of my students told me I had to read it and I'm so pleased I did- it's a fabulous story and I absolutely loved it! See you soon, Miss Ronan.



Hello Year 6!

I'm Miss Patel. I hope you are all looking forward to your new start at St Thomas More.

My book recommendation is Wonder by R J Palacio. This book follows the journey of a young boy, August, who teaches us how acts of kindness and acceptance can make a huge difference.

I look forward to meeting you all soon!



Can you spot which two teachers are reading the same book?

I hope you have enjoyed meeting all of the wonderful English teachers here at St Thomas More who can't wait to meet you all and begin teaching you in September. Having a little peek into one of our classrooms and hearing from some of our existing Year 7 students has hopefully helped with any questions you may have had. You are going to have a wonderful time here at St Thomas More; see you all soon!

Miss Wilson & the English Department