



Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2022

Dear Year 5 & 6 Parents and Pupils,

I am so happy to see the excitement that our classes have for the Awesome Book Awards. As there have been some common questions, I wanted to pass on some information.

There are five copies of all five books that have been chosen as contenders for this year: *Danny Chung Does Not Do Maths*, *Edie and the Box of Flits*, *Maggie Blue and the Dark World*, *Skywake Invasion* and *The Astonishing Future of Alex Nobody*. The children are asked to read and enjoy this fabulous array of debut novels published in the last 12 months by UK authors.

- Each pupil must read all five books in order to be eligible to vote.
- Students give their favourite book five points, their second favourite four points and so on, down to one point for their least favourite. This levelled voting is very important as it will enable the judges to accurately determine the winner.
- I will collate these individual votes and input the school's totals once voting is open.
- Please do not ask individuals to submit their votes; it must be done as a school.
- Last year schools had until Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> April to submit their votes.

Unfortunately, the school does not have enough copies for all children to read each book at the same time. Children should take it in turns to read the books in their preferred order. Some books, such as *Skywake*, are unexpectedly popular and have led to a wait. It is not necessary to purchase any of these books, however you are welcome to do so if you wish.

I would also like to add that I have been asked about audiobooks and I understand that it is harder for some children to read so many books before a deadline. Should you choose to do so you have the option to purchase the audiobooks, which you can find via Audible or Amazon, but my recommendation is always to read the books first.

I look forward to hearing more of your opinions on these excellent books. For reference, *Danny Chung Does Not Do Maths* is still my favourite! What is yours?

Yours sincerely,

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