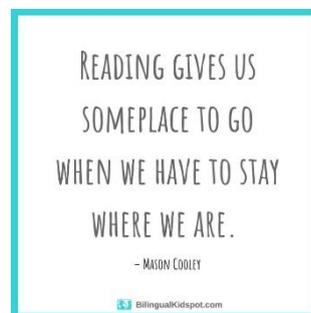


BROADSTONE MIDDLE SCHOOL SUMMER READING LOG

READING IS GOOD FOR YOU!

Mr Yeates has completed his reading log for this week. Below is a template for you to record your thoughts each week about the books you read over the summer. Tell us what you have enjoyed about losing yourself in a good book!



Week Beginning:	13/07/20
Text(s) read:	"I Was a Rat! Or, The Scarlet Slippers" "The Man Who Walked Between the Towers"
Author(s):	Philip Pullman Mordicai Gerstein
Genre (s):	Fantasy (fiction) Biography (non-fiction)
Pages:	1-55 1-131
Interesting words:	mahogany – a reddish-brown wood petrichor – the earthy scent when rain falls on dry soil vertiginous – high up, inducing vertigo
Most effective sentence/ phrase:	"I don't like <i>rats</i> any more than the next bloke, but they ain't wicked and cruel like people can be. They're just ratty in their habits." (I Was a Rat!)
Brief summary:	<i>"I was a Rat!</i> Roger insists, and insists . . . In fact, when Bob the cobbler and his washerwoman wife, Joan, finds the young boy abandoned on their doorstep, these are the only words he says. And he does have ratty behaviour, it's true. Staying with Bob and Joan, however, Roger learns quickly to behave more like a human child. They try to find his parents, but the orphanage, police and hospital all have nothing on their records about a lost boy in the city. What is the truth? As more and more people find out about Roger the mysterious rat-boy he faces more and more danger. But sometimes help comes from the most unexpected of places . . ." (I Was a Rat!) "In 1974, French aerialist Philippe Petit threw a tightrope between the two towers of the World Trade Centre and spent an hour walking, dancing, and performing high-wire tricks a quarter mile in the sky. This picture book captures the poetry and magic of the event with a poetry of its own: lyrical words and lovely paintings that present the detail, daring, and--in two dramatic foldout spreads-- the vertiginous drama of Petit's feat." (The Man Who Walked Between the Towers)

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