

Hello

I hope this newsletter helps you use my books and resources to develop reading for pleasure with the children you work with. Please feel free to share with your networks. Thank you for your continued support!

Tom

"Tom Palmer is a true reading hero and has been responsible for motivating many thousands of young people to get into books" Booktrust

1 March 2018 - World Book Day resources

I have lots of free resources to help you celebrate World Book Day in your school:

- Colouring in Sheets more [here](#)
- Dress up as a football / rugby player book character more [here](#)
- Certificates and more literacy resources [here](#)

And look out for video to mark World Book Day on my website and youtube channel [here](#)
<https://www.youtube.com/user/TomPalmerBlackOp>

June & July 2018 – World Cup Live story for the National Literacy Trust

In June and July, I will be working with the National Literacy Trust to write a free real time story set at the men's football World Cup in Russia as the tournament develops. The story, written each night, will be available daily online from 7 a.m. More information here: <http://tompalmer.co.uk/world-cup-2018-literacy-resources/>.

Please let us know if you would like the first chapter in advance and a reminder when it starts by emailing "World Cup Reminder" to admin@tompalmer.co.uk

Remembrance 2018 - New book Armistice Runner

In the autumn, I have a new book out called *Armistice Runner*. It blends a modern-day girl cross country running with flashbacks to her grandfather's role in the Armistice, which will be particularly marked with the centenary events. There is more information about the book [here](#):

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"I am using Over the Line as a group reader – it's really engaging some of our reluctant boys" **Teacher, Harcourt Primary School**

"Over the Line is a perfect class read to accompany any KS2 and KS3 (Y7&8) topic on the period. It's also an engaging read for football fans of any age. In my opinion, it deserves to sit alongside War Horse and Private Peaceful on any school bookshelf." **Helena Pielichaty**

Free First World War Literacy Resources [here](#)

2019 - Historical Fiction author visits

I am offering school workshops from January 2019 linking literacy to these historic periods:

- **The Iron Age** – Read [Defenders : Pitch Invasion](#)
- **Romans** – Read [Defenders : Dark Arena](#)
- **Anglo Saxons / Vikings** – Read [Defenders : Killing Ground](#)
- **Medieval England** – Read [Secret FC](#)
- **First World War** – Read [Over the Line](#), [Flyboy](#) and [Armistice Runner](#), coming Autumn 2018
- **Second World War** – Read [Spitfire](#)

Don't miss my new KS2 history trilogy *Defenders* with ghostly hauntings from the Iron Age, Roman, Anglo Saxon and Viking periods.

"plenty of adventure, jeopardy, blood and thunder and mixing it all in with a good dollop of the country's favourite spectator sport... There are echoes here of Alan Garner and just a hint of the mystery behind Harry Potter – and that should be enough to get anyone reading." [The Letterpress Project](#)

Find out more here: <http://tompalmer.co.uk/historical-fiction-author-visits/>

20% off all my books

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"Over the Line is a stunning look at the life of a real footballer who fought in the First World War as a member of the Footballers' Battalion and was the first of the modern professional footballers. It's not exclusively for those with dyslexia but it's as good as a book gets if you do suffer."

Bookbag

"I have been downloading Tom's fantastic episodic story from the Literacy Trust website. I just wanted to drop him a line to tell him how brilliantly his story is going down at our school. Every morning I have children, particularly the boys, running up to me to check that I have downloaded and printed out the latest chapter of the story. The feedback from all the teachers is really positive, they tell me that it has really captured the boys imaginations and is encouraging them to read too!" **Lucy Bakewell, SLA School Librarian of the Year**

"I feel the moral aspects will help us deal with the various issues than can occur with young boys as they settle into secondary education." **Pennaeth Cynorthwyol / Assistant Head, Ysgol Rhiwabon**

"As a parent, I just wanted to say thanks for the [Football Academy series](#). My 10 year old son had never read a whole book from start to finish until he discovered Boys United. He rattled through that so I bought Striking Out two days ago and he's nearly finished it already. Roll on the rest of the series!" **Sarah**

We do try to keep a tidy database but please accept our apologies if this has accidentally been cross-posted.

Best wishes and thanks again for keeping in touch.

Thank you for reading.



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*"Credited with turning book-phobic boys into page-turning maniacs" **Sunday Telegraph***

"The work of this author is making a valuable contribution to improving pupils' writing."

Ofsted

"The stuff available from the Tom Palmer website is fantastic"

Friends' School Saffron Walden

*"Guerilla reading motivation at its finest" **Jim Sells, National***

Literacy Trust

*"I received the pack that you sent me today. Thank you very much. The books look really interesting. In fact, we have already had some interest from the boys! The posters will really brighten up our displays" **Sir Graham Balfour School.***

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