Getting to know Bug Club

We want to make sure that all children have access to a good range of reading material, especially in these times when your child may not be able to choose different reading books in school.

Bug Club is a fantastic resource for every reader across the school. From Reception through to Year 6, it enables children to access a personalised set of books, both fiction and non-fiction, in an online format. Not only will pupils have the opportunity to read on an alternative platform, but their understanding of what they have read will also be a key focus.

Access the website through this link:
https://www.activelearnprimary.co.uk/login?c=0&l=0

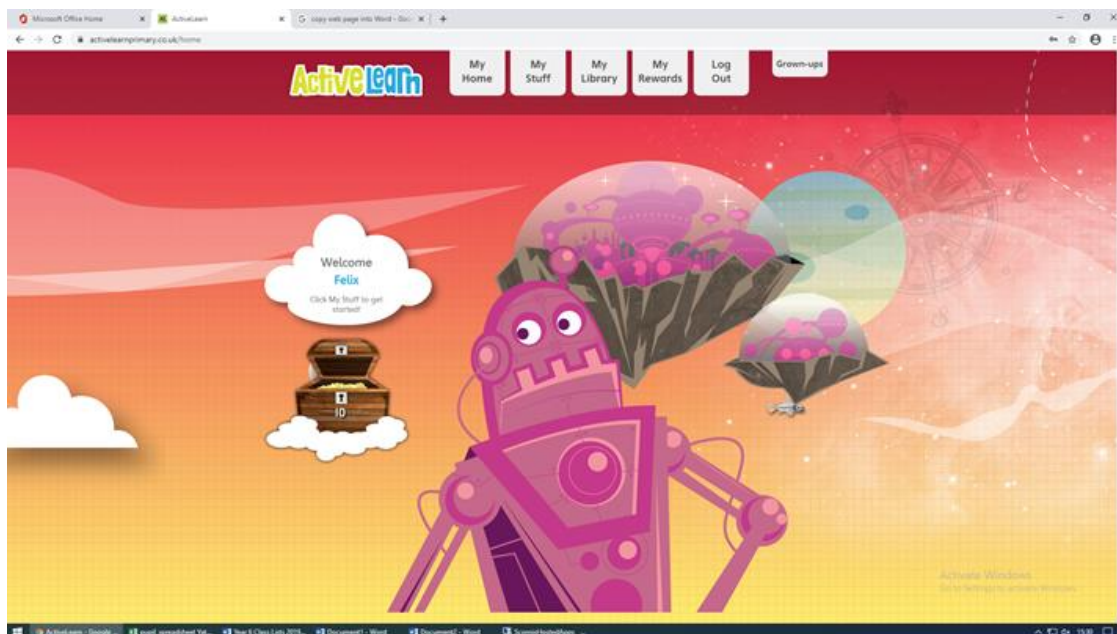**Here are your login details for Bug Club:**

Username: *This should be the first 4 letters of your child's first name and the first 4 letters of surname: e.g. Brian Smith would be* **briasmit** . **Please email your child's teacher or the office if this doesn't work** and we will check it for you. (Some user names have **02** after them so try this as well). If a name has fewer than 4 letters (eg, 'Bob') just put in those letters.
Password: bugclub1
School code: cstq

How to get started

Once you/your child has logged on, the following screen should appear:

Accessing your selected reading books

To access your allocated reading books, click on **'My Stuff'** at the top. Your child's teacher will have selected and allocated a range and variety of appropriate titles for each child in their class. Once on

this page, you will see all books listed by scrolling left and right. You can read the books in any order. Once you start a reading book, it will be marked as 'opened' with the option to return at any point. The yellow number underneath each book indicates how many coins will be earnt once the book is completed. These coins can be 'spent' in the 'My Rewards' section (see below for further information).

Introductory page

When first opening a book, depending on the age of your child, you will see an explanatory page about its content.

'Read to Me' button

Some books have a 'Read to Me' button at the bottom of the page where, if pressed, the words on that page will be read out loud.

Comprehension checks Look out for the bugs!

The skill of comprehension or the understanding of what you read, is of equal importance and Bug Club has made this a key focus. As your child reads, they'll get used to (and be excited to!) spot the bugs! When a bug appears, click on it and then a new window will open (the bug will appear more frequently as the books move up the key stages). A question about the passage just read will then appear. Once the question has been answered, the bug's eyes will close:

My Library and Rewards

Once a book is completed and all bug questions have been answered, the book will move to the 'My Library' section of your child's homepage. You can read the book again once it is stored in here. The yellow number linked to each book represents the number of coins earned once it's been read. These coins can then be spent in the 'My Rewards' section, where coins can be used to play games or create stickers or build avatars and worlds.

More detailed guidance on how to use Bug Club, including more fun things you can do with it can be accessed in the Help section: Pupil Help at the top right of the home page or via this link:

https://www.activelearnprimary.co.uk/help?c=student

If you have any further questions, please contact me, the school office or your child's class teacher.

We hope you and your child enjoy reading and sharing the exciting range of books that Bug Club offers. Happy reading!

Mr Jon Heywood

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