

# WHITMORE NEWS

MONTHLY UP LOADS

**ANIMAL NEWS IN BARRY**

## **MANY TEARS RESCUE**

### **A BIG STORM HITS A DOG SHELTER**

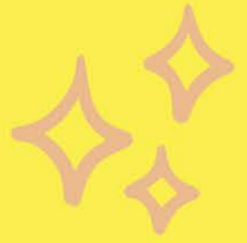
Many tears rescue is in Cwmloglin House, Cefneithin, Gorlas, Llanelli SA14 7HB its a dog shelter that was hit by a storm

## **GOOD GAMES**

THESE ARE 3 GAMES WE RECOMMENDED  
ON BBC NEWS ROUND GAMES  
[HTTPS://WWW.BBC.CO.UK/CBBC/GAMES](https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/games)  
NOVA JONES FASHION STUDIO,  
MALORY TOWERS – A YEAR IN THE LIFE,  
HORRIBLE HISTORIES HARD AS A NAIL.



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## song review

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### **3 must read books for 11–13-year olds**

Books are a great and, in my opinion, better alternative to going on an electronic device like your phone for a pastime. These are some of my BEST recommendations for pre-teens books. I love books but I haven't read ALL of these, so please take anything I say with a pinch of salt.

My first recommendation was a personal read myself, and I really enjoyed it:

#### **The Hunger Games**

The Hunger games is an 11–13-year-old reader's maturity level. If you enjoyed the film, I could guarantee you will enjoy this book. It is a real page turner! Here is some information about it:

- . This is the first book in the riveting series.
- . This book is dystopian.
- . This book is written by acclaimed author Suzanne Collins.
- . There is violence present throughout the book.

This next book is not one I have read, but to me the blurb makes me think this could be a thriller and eerie late-night Halloween read:

#### **Revolver**

It's a psychological teen drama involving a 15-year-old boy called Sig in the Arctic Circle. He confronts a stranger who comes to take revenge on his dead father. These are some things you should know:

- . This book has an 11-13-year-old readers and maturity rating.
- . There is at least some violence in this book.
- . This is written by Marcus Sedgwick.
- . This book was shortlisted for the Guardian Children's Fiction Prize 2009.

My third and final recommendation (which I have again not read but the blurb is lovely) is most definitely a bit happier and maybe even more adventurous than the last two:

### **If You Read This**

When the main character Brie was younger, her mama would make treasure hunts around the island. Bries mama had sadly died three years prior to the events of this book. And when Brie turned 12 her mama had one last surprise. The surprise changes her life forever. This seems like a very adventurous book and a very real emotional experience and struggles for some people. Here are some facts about If You Read This:

- The author is Kereen Getten
- This book has an 11+ year old maturity and reading age.
- The main protagonist Brie is a young black role model/ inspiration for other young pre-teen black girls, who have a similar family experience as Brie.

These are three books I recommend, like I said before take everything I said about Revolver and If You Read This with a pinch of salt as I have not read them.

There are more exciting ways you can pass time without your phone or Tiktok or Youtube (surprisingly). Books are the best way to immerse yourself in a new world of wonder, horrors and adventures. Books brighten your day. Given the season coming up to Halloween, maybe you could reread a scary or eerie book. Sometimes scary books are the best in late September and October. I hope this helped YOU to find a book that YOU

like. If you would like to know the page I looked on for inspiration this is the website, type this into your browser:  
<https://www.lovereadings4kids.co.uk/genre/12/featured-books-for-11-readers>

By, Ava Edwards  
Year 7

## Nintendo & Dynamo Films - What Happened?

Nintendo has recently bought out the film company 'Dynamo Pictures', renaming it to 'Nintendo Pictures'... How original.

Well, what does this mean for Nintendo? What does this mean for Dynamo Pictures? Well, let's find out.

Straight off the bat, Nintendo purchased the company at the price of \$250,000 or in yen, 34.5M... Exchange rates are wacky I guess. (This equates to about £220k)  
In other words, this was one hefty purchase for Nintendo.

Nintendo bought Dynamo Films so that they could make movies for their popular franchises such as Super Mario Bros and The Legend of Zelda. Anyone that's seen or even heard of the old Mario movie from the 90's would know that this is a much better alternative... I mean look at these goombas...



### **Terrifying.**

You see, this is why it's probably a good move for Nintendo to buy out an actual film company, but I guess it was the 90's, anything could slide. This is a huge win for Nintendo, as they can produce high quality content such as the upcoming Super Mario Bros movie (Early 2023) and a win for Dynamo Films, as they get a lot of money out of this investment.

Seeing what Nintendo can do in games alone, such as Legend of Zelda: Breath of the Wild or Super Mario Odyssey, I am pumped for this. Speaking of Nintendo games, the Legend of Zelda: Tears of the Kingdom comes out May 2023, exhilarating.

My point is, knowing what Nintendo can do has me very excited for this, and how they will present these movies has me questioning if they will make another mistake like the 1993 Mario movie, or if they will redeem themselves.

I will note that the Super Mario series on Netflix was pretty good, however it definitely catered for a younger audience, as there was never a moment of silence.

Something else related to the new Mario movie: People are going mad, but not for the reason you might think. No, not the voice of Mario, but Mario's bum?

For some reason, people are going mental over Mario's dumpy, bosom, buttocks, exit, whatever you want to call it. To some, it's not big enough... You heard me, Mario has a small bum?



People are proposing that this is a better design for him... People are weird I guess.

Another issue in people's eyes is the voice of Mario. For some reason Dynamo Films & Nintendo figured that Chris Pratt was the best person to voice Mario. Why? Nobody knows. I'm just going to say it, Charles Martinez would've been the best choice, considering he's the actual voice of Mario in the games. Chris Pratt isn't even remotely good at voicing Mario, whereas Charles Martinez made sense.

By Oscar Laity, Year 8



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## Power Cut on the tallest ride in Wales leaves people stranded 100s of feet in the air



Image Source: [Yahoo Finance](#)

People riding the new Areospace ride in Barry Island's Pleasure Park were left stranded in the air after a power cut last month.

The 3-million-pound ride at Barry Island's Pleasure Park that can allow people to go to speeds up to 75mph suffered a power cut last month after the trip mechanism was too low, leaving people stranded about 214ft in the air. They were left there for 30 minutes; 4 people were on the ride at the time. Luckily, they have now replaced the trip and it should be functioning properly now.

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# **Rating Tim Burton Films**

**By Lucia Nicholson, Year 10**

- **A Nightmare before Christmas**

Despite being a PG, Nightmare before Christmas gives a large amount of darker humour and goes with the classic early 90s animations with characters such as Jack Skellington and Sally. My favourite trio has got to be Lock, Shock and Barrel. Altogether, it is an 8/10.

- **Corpse Bride**

Even though the story of Victor and Emily is a mistake but down to simple nuances, Corpse Bride is a love story and takes place in the late 1800s in a Victorian village. The film shows how Victor is split between his love at first sight fiancé, Victoria and his tragic corpse bride, Emily. I would say it isn't his best but is definitely a 6/10.

- **Miss Peregrine's Home For Peculiar Children**

This film follows Jacob Portman as he goes to Cairholm to uncover the real causes of his grandfather's death. It gives an in-depth look into the characters and their peculiarities such as Enoch who can raise the dead using old organs along with making homunculus (dolls) come to life. Though I prefer the books, the film does show an interesting viewpoint such as Jacob's perspective. Definitely, an 8/10 more their effects and editing of the Hollowgasts.

- **Sleepy Hollow**

Despite being described as a horror, the film isn't particularly scary against other films but does manage to have a grim storyline though nothing out of the ordinary. It is loosely based off of the 1820 short story 'The Legend of Sleepy Hollow' by Washington Irving. Once more Johnny Depp is cast alongside Christina Ricci which shows the right amount of olden horror. There were several creepy scenes such as beheadings amongst other things. Altogether I'd rate it a 6/10 as it was interesting but also boring for a major part of it.

- **Beetlejuice**

Winona Ryder is an amazing actress and is by far one of the most talented actors in Beetlejuice. Micheal Keaton plays an excellent adaptation of Beetlejuice. Though most know him as Batman, I probably know him better as the iconic character, Beetlejuice along with this being one of the many roles that Winona Ryder has slayed at over the last forty years. In general, the film is definitely a 9/10 along with the amazing graphics.

- **Dark Shadows**

Though it isn't the most creative of films, it is an interesting film to watch. The theme of vampires and other mythical beings such as werewolves and ghosts, is entertaining as it shows different interactions especially with them keeping to the 1970s theme throughout. The characters have fun interactions throughout the film without making you bored. For me, it is a solid 8/10 but it could have some improvements.

- **Alice in Wonderland**

The film took over my childhood along with those of many others. It gives both a whimsical and saddening appearance to that of growing up especially in the time that Alice did. The story is an interesting take on an older version of Alice as she returns to her childhood fairytale. Definitely 10/10.

- **Edward Scissorhands**

Tim Burton once again decided to cast Johnny Depp as the infamous character, Edward Scissorhands. Throughout he is shown to be wholesome but is seen as a monster because of his appearance which is biased and people continue to assume the worst until he shows them otherwise. It has got to be one of my favourites so I have to give it a 10/10.