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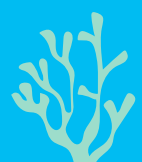
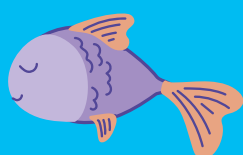
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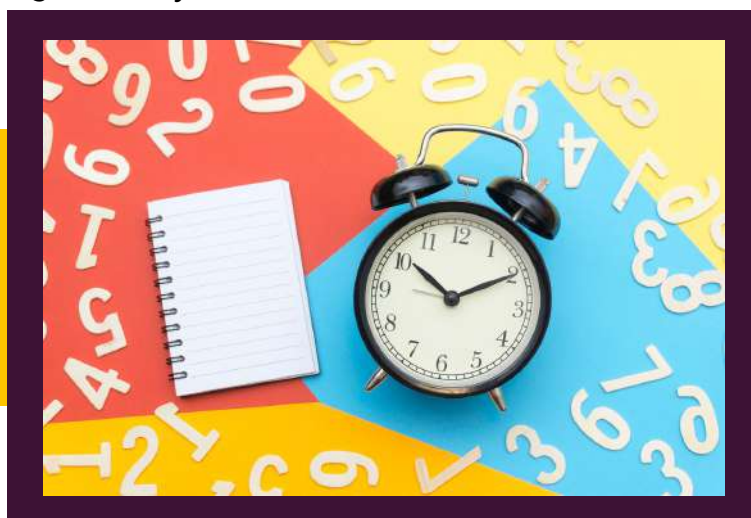
**Here is some good news!**

The **Italian National Agency** has extended the duration of **ReadTwinning**. The deadline to complete all the amazing activities of the project was originally set for 31st May 2022. Due to the difficult situation we faced in this year of pandemic, we ran into some practical difficulties and, therefore, some delays. For this reason, the **new deadline** has been set on the **31st of October 2022**.

Especially for students and teachers, this has been an extremely **challenging year**. The relocation of lessons online had a massive impact on children and teenagers. **ReadTwinning teachers** supported each other and exchanged methods and activities that were extremely useful during the quarantine times.

Promoting the love for reading was surely developed online but, now that things are slowly getting better, we want to organize all the activities and meetings that we planned. This new deadline will give us the **precious possibility** to complete the project at the maximum of our abilities.

We are extremely happy to continue this path for a little bit longer than expected. Follow us on our [Facebook page](#) to stay in touch with our activities!



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## AN AWARD, A HERITAGE AND A RENEWED SPIRIT FOR READTWINNING!



The project ended in August 2019, but its precious heritage has been transmitted to the entire organisation of ReadTwinning.

For this reason, we are extremely proud to announce that Professor Maria Meletiou-Mavrotheri, who was the **Project Coordinator** of The Living Book for European University of Cyprus, was recently awarded with the "**European Innovative Teaching Award 2021**" in the field of **Primary Education**.

**The European Innovative Teaching Award 2021** showcase noteworthy teaching practices developed in the Erasmus+ programme and awards the work of teachers and schools that are engaged in projects of European cooperation. In particular, the award focuses on the **quality of school education** and its objectives are to celebrate the results achieved in this particular year, and to highlight the value of the Erasmus+ programme to all European teachers. This year's theme of the Award was **Distance / Mixed / Hybrid Learning**, and the prizes covered all educational levels, from Pre-school to Technical and Vocational Education.

The fact that Professor Maria Meletiou-Mavrotheri was awarded with this European recognition makes us **very proud**. Firstly, because it recognises that the issues and themes that concerns the activity of reading among the youngest are still important and still deserve recognition. Secondly, because this prize encourages and inspires us to improve and enhance our work every day. Congratulations to Professor Maria Meletiou-Mavrotheri and her team for their commitment, diligence, and dedication to the project of The Living Book!

ReadTwinning aims to connect students through shared interests and to develop a love for reading and thanks to this amazing news we renewed the responsibility of our role and the passion for our work.





## WAITING FOR NEW RESOURCES: THEY ARE COMING IN SEPTEMBER

We are almost there, be patient for a little longer but... brace yourself because in September there will be some **interesting new contents!**

In these weeks and during summertime the team will work on finalizing the **Resources of ReadTwinning**. The Resources will be available on our website and communicated via social media in September, just in time for the beginning of the school.

ReadTwinning Resources will allow teachers and students to apply the **ReadTwinning method** that you can continue to explore in the Guidelines at this link: <https://readtwinning.eu/resources/guidelines-en>.

The Resources are composed of:

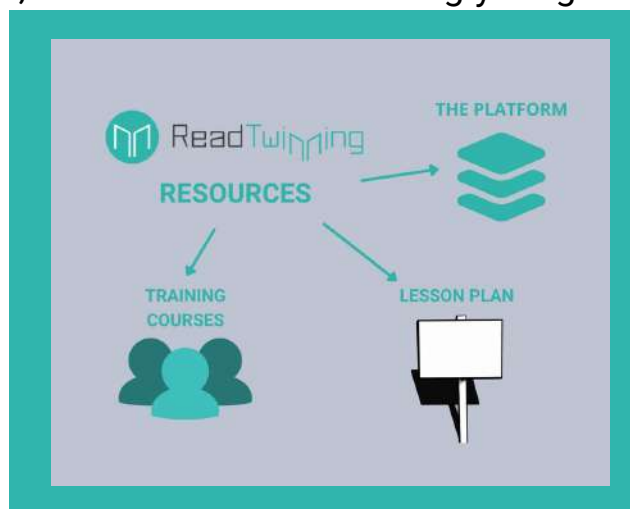
-*The Platform*: the multilingual online social platform that will connect readers with shared interests and hobbies, suggest relevant books, and share rich media content of their reading experience.

-*The Lesson Plans and Toolkits*: A set of practical lesson plans for teachers with ideas of how to integrate ReadTwinning into their classroom activities, supported by a suite of toolkits for students and teachers.

-*The Training Courses*: for both 'Connected Teachers' to develop knowledge and skills in teaching, and for the Parents who wants to support their children's development in reading.

Together they form the ReadTwinning approach, which aims at connecting young readers among different European countries.

Stay tuned and have a wonderful summer, see you in September to share more ReadTwinning news!





## SUMMER READING IS FUN!

All-around Europe the schools are closing for the summer holidays. It has been an unusual school year but, despite the pandemic situation, the partner schools of ReadTwinning realized lots of activities and projects to enhance the love for reading. Discover the dedicated posts on our page! The classes of Cyprus enhanced the use of technology to share the love for reading. A Padlet Wall has been realized and on the wall the children published their ideas and preferences of the books they would like to read.

On the 23rd of April it was **International Book Day** and the Portuguese partner celebrated this special day with some interesting activities. On our Facebook page you can find some videos where children present the book they read, share their thoughts, and even played some scenes.

After having organized a **Digital Fair** in Romania, some **reading groups** were created. Every group had a different book and they met online to analyse the history, the set, and the characters of every book.

Wishing you a fun summer, find here **some tips** for making summer reading part of the summer fun!

### **Are you a teacher?**

Stimulate creativity by suggesting websites or places where students can get different books or magazines; suggest forming reading tandems or groups and once back to school invite them to share their readings.

### **Are you parent?**

Read together aloud, ask lots of question about the history, and let your children read something to you. Libraries are precious places: often reading clubs or special summer activities are organized and this could be a good way to nourish the love for reading.

### **Are you a student?**

Read what you like and what you are curious about; find some reading pals and create a summer reading diary with the books you read. And last but not least, **reading is pleasure, enjoy it!**

