



School Librarian: Miss Shannon

# SCHOOL LIBRARY NEWSLETTER WINTER 2024

**Library Opening Times** 

Monday - Thursday

Break: 10.30-10.50

Lunch: 12.50-1.50

After School: 3.00-3.40

**Friday** 

Break: 10.30-10.50

Lunch: 12.50-1.50

### Welcome to the Winter

2024 edition of the School Library
Newsletter. It has been a busy time in the
Library over the past term with 467 books
issued. The most popular author has
been Tsugumi Ohba, followed by old
favourites J.K. Rowling and Jeff Kinney.
The most borrowed book has been 'One of
Us is Lying' by Karen McManus, followed
by 'A Foot in the Grave' by Joan Aiken and
'A Good Girl's Guide to Murder' by Holly
Jackson.

KEEP READING!

# STUDENT LIBRARIAN NEWS

We have a new team of Year 8 Student Librarians this term:

Zion Madison Owen Jessica

Jessica Atlas Ebie Myla

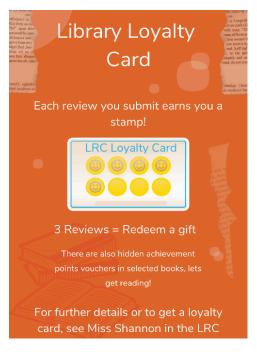
Laila Jacob Esme Joseph

Hollie Lyla Szymon Vincent

In addition to our two Year 9 Student Librarians:

Layla Sophie

Everyone is already working hard, as you will see from the following pages!



The Library Loyalty Card continues to be very popular. Congratulations to Year 7 student Khadija, the first student to complete her card and thus having read a total of at least nine books since the beginning of term. One of Khadija's fantastic book reviews is also

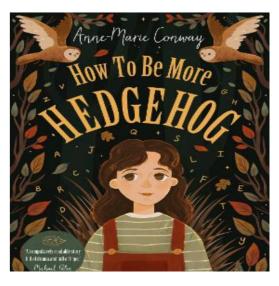
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#### Student book review

How To Be More Hedgehog by Anne-Marie Conway

(reviewed by Khadija, Year 7



This book is about a book called Lily who has a stammer. When a video of her practising her class presentation is uploaded onto YouTube, her nightmare begins. Cyberbullying, kids at school whispering and even her best friend Mia laughing behind her back. Lily's instinct is to run away, but she realises that running away isn't the answer. I found the story gripping because I wanted to know how Lily overcame her worries about her speech and about starting a new school. In fact, I would recommend this book to anyone starting a new school

#### **NATIONAL POETRY DAY OCTOBER 3RD 2024**

Student Librarian Jessica wrote a beautiful poem to mark the occasion.





Do you want to live in a world
That just doesn't care,
Or live in a world that just isn't fair,
Well that's what our world is turning into,
But there is a way to reverse it,
If we just do our bit.

If kindness becomes more,
Then happiness shall be galore,
Instead of teasing,
People should be pleasing,
Rather than being mad or bad.

If we are kind,
It improves the mind,
It makes the world a better place,
For all of the human race.

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#### **HALLOWEEN FUN**



Jessica was also the first to hand in a book review for our Spooky book competition. Jessica is pictured below, along with photos of the fantastic book displays created by our Student Librarian team.









## LEST WE FORGET

More beautiful book displays were created by the Student Librarians as part of the School Remembrance Day commemorations. Pictured in front of the window display are School Librarians Jessica and Jessica.









Bookbuzz is a reading programme run by the BookTrust which aims to encourage reading for pleasure. Every Year 7 pupil receives a free book for them to keep.



Once the books arrived our Student Librarian team swung into action and organised the distribution of the books to PD groups with great efficiency. Year 7 pupils were thrilled to receive the book of their choice from a fantastic selection.

#### IT'S CHRISTMAS!



There have been lots of fun activities in the School Library over the past week.

Students have enthusiastically completed Christmas book reviews and taken part in our daily Christmas draw. Over 30 Key Stage 3 pupils took part in our Christmas Lit Quiz. The winner was Matthew Adamson in Year 8 who scored an amazing 18/20 - well done Matthew!





#### CHRISTMAS BOOK DISPLAYS

We have lots of books of Christmas stories in the School Library. The School Librarians have created some lovely displays showcasing the books, bringing a very festive feel to the Library.





Thank you to Khadija, Skyler, Layla, Noa-Sarah, Subhan and Noah (Year 7) and Vincent and Myles (Year 8) who have already submitted Christmas book reviews.



MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

