

BOOKS NEW IN this month now available to loan

FICTION

Bad Dad (replacement copy)
Breathe
Burning Magic (3rd book in the Shadow Magic series)
Completely Cassidy Drama Queen
Completely Cassidy Star Reporter
Drama (graphic novel)
Fellside
Finding Audrey
Flawed (replacement copy)
Magisterium : The Iron Trial
Mythos
One (replacement copy)
Raven's Gate (replacement copy)
Resist
Skulduggery : Armageddon Outta Here
Smile (graphic novel)
The Extinction Trials (replacement copy)
The Polar Bear's Explorer Club
The Woman In Black (replacement copy)
Things In Jars
Thirteen Treasures (replacement copy)
Tom Gates Spectacular School Trip
Toffee (Free Verse)
Vote for Effie
Wildspark

Well loved Library books obviously need to be replaced but sadly accidents happen (water bottles!) and books sometimes disappear down black holes (bedrooms!) never to be seen again...



B.O.T.B.

Bring. On. The. Books.

Find out what is
happening in our School
Library Community
February 2020

Dear Library Friends,

We had a fantastic response to our 'Blind Date With A Book', loaning out over 60 books, all collected on **Valentine's Day**. With one exception (The School for Good and Evil') we successfully matched our readers who rated their blind dates between two and three


**Blind
Date**
with a book!



hearts. One Year 7 reader loved her date so much, she added a fourth heart on the dater recommendation slip. A Year 11 could not wait for our Library to reopen after the half term holiday so she paid for the next two dates to complete the recommended trilogy. Writing personal messages for each blind dater was great fun if a little time consuming. My personal thanks to Year 11 Librarians,

Eleanor Sturgess for all the expert wrapping and **Ellie C** for sorting out the dater slips, your hard work made all this possible. I wonder who will be helping me next year...

Mrs Brett



ARMAGEDDON

We enjoy lively balloon debates in our Library and this month was no exception! Our audience was asked to decide (based on our debaters' responses to rounds of tough questions) which potential threat - Alien Invasion, Artificial Intelligence, Biological Warfare, Climate Change & Global Warming, Nuclear War, Pandemic or Super Volcano eruption - was most likely to end in Armageddon.

Before our balloon debate began, a straw poll established that 44% of our audience thought Climate Change & Global Warming were most likely to result in Armageddon. As the debate warmed up(!), we were left with two Armageddon threats - **Alien Invasion (Year 7 debaters Morgan Richards and Sergiu Stavaru) and Pandemic (Year 8 debater Amelia Brien).**

Pandemic was finally 'pipped at the post' by Alien Invasion as it was perceived that whilst a Pandemic could substantially reduce the human race, Aliens could, if they chose to, eradicate all human life. A controversial and thought provoking outcome. Well done all.

This month's Library Display

Focused on **February 14th, Valentine's Day**. The exchange of love tokens is believed to be rooted in Pagan, Ancient Roman and Christian traditions. The two most popular legends are a little macabre...

Valentine was a priest who served during the third century in Rome when Emperor Claudius II, believing single men made better soldiers, banned marriage. Valentine defied the Emperor and continued to perform marriage ceremonies in secret. When this was discovered, the Emperor instructed Valentine be put to death.

Valentine was a prisoner in Ancient Rome. He fell in love with the jailor's daughter when she visited him in his cell. He wrote love letters to her and the last one before his execution ended '**from your Valentine**', a popular expression still in use today.

In 1375, English poet, **Geoffrey Chaucer**, was the first writer to describe Valentine's day as a day of Romantic celebration.

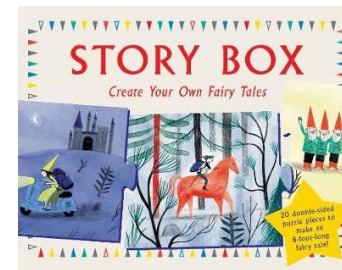


LIBRARY NOTICEBOARD

Year 7 Library Lessons

ONCE UPON A TIME

This month was all about fairy tales. Using giant jigsaw story pieces kindly supplied by Mrs Ashton, we made some amazing tall tales of our own. Story Boxes are a fantastic resource, Mrs. Brett may have to buy some for our Library...



STATS

A bumper month with **824 books** returned to the Library shelves by our team of student Librarians and Librarian trainees. Good work!

LIBRARIAN BIRTHDAYS

Mia Armstrong
Izzy Hyde (Library Friend)



LIBRARIAN TRAINING PROGRAMME

AWARDS

Congratulations to:

Liv Wade (Yr 11) : Platinum Certificate
Amy Brough (Yr 8) : Yellow Badge (top scorer!)
Joe Williams (Yr 9) : Yellow Badge
Lily McKenzie (Yr 7) Bronze Certificate
Morgan Richards (Yr 7) Purple Monitor Badge