

Our School Library FUNDRAISER QUIZ

For pupils, parents, carers and staff

Entry fee £1

Please support generously

We need to raise funds to:

- replace books which have gone AWOL during Covid,
- purchase Carnegie Medal Shortlisted books,
- expand our Manga selection for KS3 pupils.



Library Friends,

I think we can all agree that the last year has been like no other. I have been incredibly proud to be associated with our School staff and pupils who have all 'gone above and beyond' following Covid safety rules and continuing with learning whilst supporting each other in our School community. Our Library continues to 'double up' as a Year 9 classroom and during morning registration I can be seen dashing in and out of various tutor rooms delivering books as part of my Click-and-Drop service. Since September, we have loaned out over 950 books to Years 7 to 10. Even without access to the Library, our Student Library Team is still going strong (with eleven Pupil Librarians and six Year 7 trainees) thanks to our regular Zoom meetings.

The decision was taken early on to waive fines and not to charge for Library books lost during the various Lockdowns. This means we have stock to replace but we also need to purchase new titles and expand our Manga range to ensure our Library continues to thrive. Sadly, our budget cannot stretch to accommodate all this without additional fundraising, hence my Library Fundraiser Quiz with many of the prizes kindly donated by Asda.

Please can you watch the Library Fundraiser Powerpoint slide show which I have sent to all pupils via satchel:one. This should tell you all you need to know in order to participate. With thanks in anticipation of your continued support and generosity.



Mrs Brett
Library Co-Ordinator



B.O.T.B.

Bring. On. The. Books.

Find out what is
happening in our School
Library Community

June 2021

Dear Library Friends,



June has been a very busy month. I have been promoting our **ASDA sponsored Library Fundraiser**, delivering Library books to KS3 pupils and visiting Tutor Groups during morning registration. The 'icing on the cake' for this month is the mystery box of books from our very generous **anonymous benefactor**. Whoever you are, thank you!

I've 'summed up' the Library year so far in an article for our School newsletter. Please read this when you have a minute and if you can spare a £1, please enter our Library Fundraiser. Last, but certainly not least, I am about to launch my Summer Holiday Reading Challenge. If you would like some bibliotherapy, please send me a postcard. Full details on satchel: one. Best wishes.



Mrs Brett

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Mrs Brett's Monthly Library Report

1. STATISTICS for the month of **JUNE** (Holiday & pupils self-isolating)

Books shelved	144
Overdue books	31
Books loaned out to pupils via Click-and-Drop	88
Staff new topic loans	0
Staff new personal loans	1

2. Library newsletter.
3. Library article for School newsletter.
4. Click-and-Drop service.
5. Repairing damaged books.
6. Ongoing Library database cleansing.
7. Library Team Zoom meetings.
8. Carnegie Shadowing.
9. Harry Potter Night (daytime activities!).
10. Year 8 Reading aloud for morning registration.
11. Year 9 True Crime presentation for morning registration.
12. Year 9 Thriller presentation for morning registration.
13. Year 10 Dilemmas presentation for Miss Green.
14. Year 11 Access arrangements (Reading/Scribing).
15. Library Fundraiser Quiz (so far £xxx raised)
16. Summer Holiday reading challenge (bibliotherapy postcards).
17. Planning for September (Roald Dahl's birthday)



Can you read 21 books by the end of 2021?

I have set myself this additional challenge (to read one book for each of the following categories). If you would like to attempt this, please message Mrs Brett via Satchel.One for further details and an entry form.

Progress : 17 pupils have now accepted my challenge and several are doing better than me. Can anyone recommend a funny book, I just don't read them.



Corbet Staff BOOK CLUB

We have all been so busy with School work that we have not had chance to meet. Ideas are needed for our Summer reading selection. Staff, if you would like to join us, please email me. Mrs B

Library Noticeboard



March Birthdays

Hazz Roberts



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HAPPY HARRY POTTER BOOK NIGHT 2021!

Thursday June 24th

Quiz Winner : Dylan Rees



SUMMER HOLIDAY READING CHALLENGE

Readers, please send Mrs Brett a postcard.

Check satchel: one for instructions.



**ARE
YOU
IN NEED
OF SOME
BIBLIOTHERAPY
FOR
THE HOLIDAYS?**

Pop this postcard through our Library letterbox
or message Mrs Brett with your
reading preferences and a Library book
will find its way to you.

Dear Mrs Brett,

I would like you to choose a book for me for
some BIBLIOTHERAPY, it needs to be...

Thank you

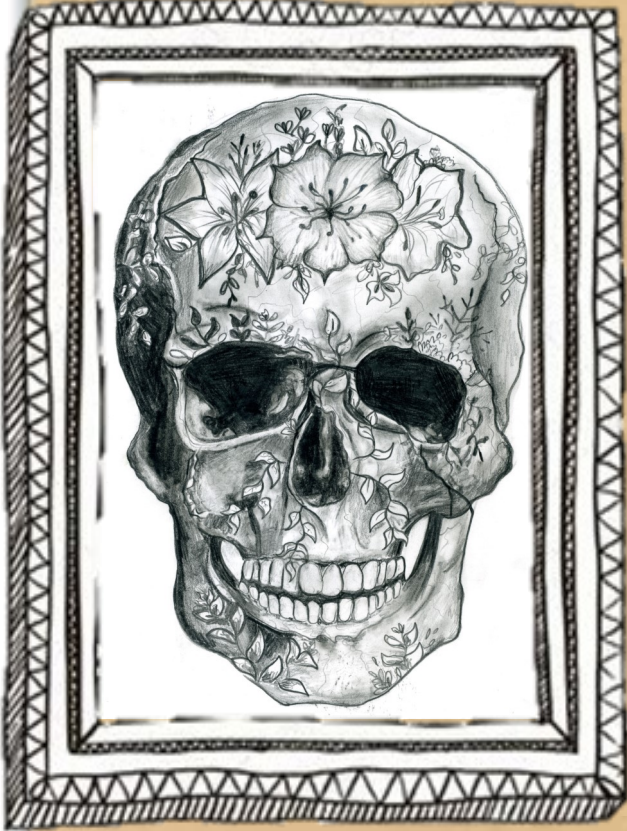
(please write in your Name, Tutor Group and Tutor Room number)



Mrs Brett
Our Corbet
School Library

LIBRARY ART GALLERY

Thanks Maisy, super work!



Creative

Carnegie Shadows' Leader Board

MMMm, we picked our winners (see below) but we appear to disagree with the rest of the country. It is an understatement to say we are a little bemused by the Judges' and the Shadows' Choices...

★ ★ ★ Congratulations to our 2021 Winners! ★ ★ ★

CARNEGIE & KATE GREENAWAY MEDALS

SHADOWS' CHOICE AWARDS



CILIP CARNEGIE MEDAL



CILIP KATE GREENAWAY MEDAL

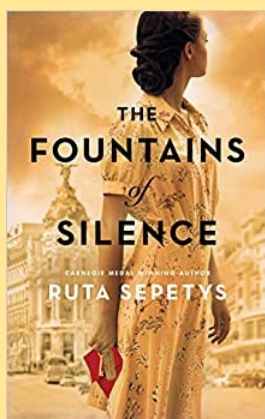


SHADOWS' CHOICE CARNEGIE



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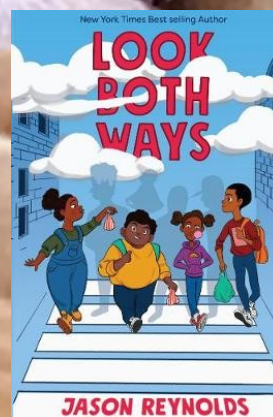
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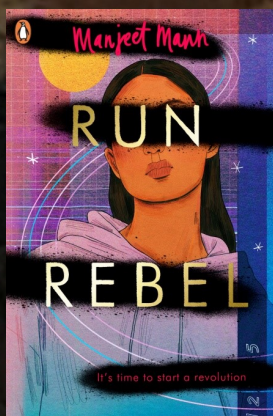
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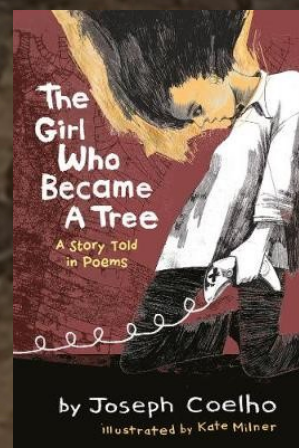
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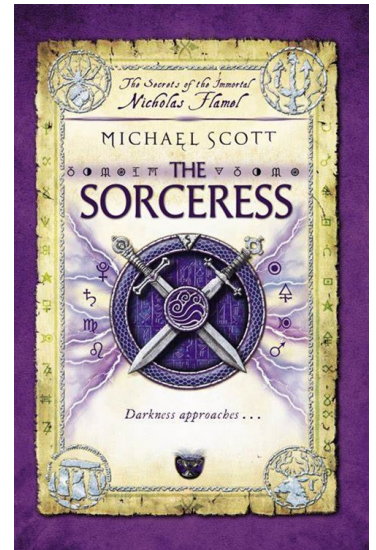
Reviews awaited!



The Sorceress

by Michael Scott

Main characters: Josh Newman, Sophie Newman, Nicholas Flamel, Perenelle Flamel, Palamedes, Dr John Dee, the wild hunt, and the mysterious god who controls the wild hunt...



Main story line: Sophie and Josh are with the alchemist (Nicholas Flamel) working to awaken Josh's powers and give them both the element of water from Gilgamesh, the oldest immortal in the world. Just before this, Dr John Dee asks the Dark elders to awaken the wild hunt and their master from its slumber. The group escape and Sophie and Josh must fight to survive, but will they?

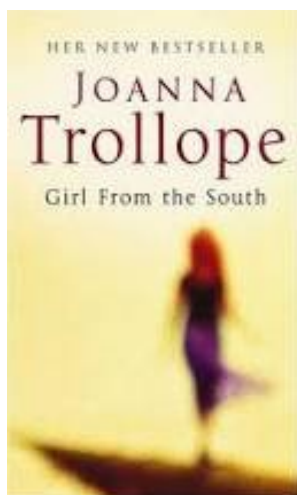
What I liked: I really liked all the drama and mystery of the adventure. It made me keep wanting to read on.

What could be improved: More description of the scenery to make the story more interesting.

Rating: ★★★★★

Elizabeth

Mrs Brett's Monthly Reading & Book Reviews



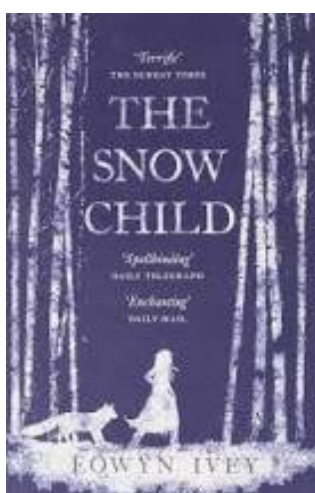
Teen

Another one from our Staff Book Sway box. Definitely 'chick lit', a nice easy read for a Summer's Day but not particularly memorable; some of our Year 9+ pupils may enjoy.

Gillon - red-haired, intelligent, vulnerable - comes to London to escape from the demands of her wealthy, conventional, socially superior family in Charleston, South Carolina. An art historian, she has a chance meeting with Tilly, whose long-term boyfriend, Henry, is a wildlife photographer who is finding it hard to commit. Before long Gillon has moved into their flat, replacing Henry's old mate William...



NOTE : Chick lit is modern fiction, usually by female authors, where the plot centres on the lives and romantic problems of young women.



Adventure

This is one of the better books selected by my book club but I think I am the only member who actually enjoyed reading it (probably because of the fantasy element).

Jack and Mabel are making a fresh start in their homestead in the 1920s Alaskan wilderness. Jack is losing his battle with the land and Mabel is still grieving the baby they lost many years before. They find themselves building a snowman and when they both glimpse a childlike figure amongst the spruce trees, Mabel has the notion that, just like the Russian Fairy tale, they have created their own snow child...

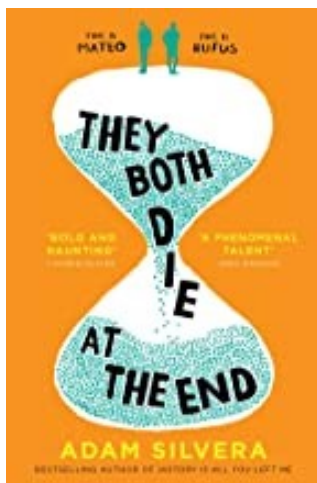


Thriller

I don't know why it took me so long to find time to read this book; it might be the awful cover or the fact that it is slightly larger than the 'usual' paperback. Whilst this is definitely not the best written book, it does have a cracking Dystopian plot. Book 2 is on the Wish List. Recommended.

In the near future in the United States, the 'one-child policy' is ruthlessly enforced but the Head of the Texas Family Planning Division has hidden the birth of his twin daughters, Ava and Mira. For eighteen years they trade places with each other, one always remaining hidden inside their home. Eventually this deception is discovered and the twins go on the run to see help from a freedom resistance movement called 'The Common'.





Teen

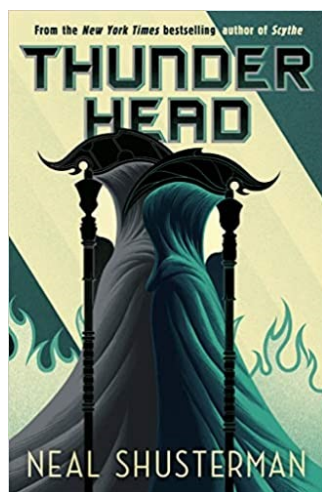
There has been a lot of interest in this book and thank you to the Year 9 who lent me her copy. I think the storyline is disturbing and unhealthy (just like 'Thirteen Reasons Why') and the 'trite' writing did not encourage me to get past the first chapter. I haven't even rated this one and yet it is a number one best-seller and described as 'a beautiful, heartbreaking and life-affirming book'. Go figure? You will not find it in our School Library.

Mateo and Rufus receive notification from *Death Cast* that today is their End Day. They meet up on the *Last Friend* app and plan a lifetime adventure for their last day.



Dystopian

Rowan has been off-grid for a year and has become an urban legend. He is being hunted by the Scythedom as a vigilante scythe who gleans corrupt scythes. Meanwhile, Citra has also drawn attention to herself as Scythe Anastasia. She gleans with compassion and is at odds with the bloodthirsty Scythye Goddard who leads the New Order. Will the Thunderhead allow Goddard to succeed?



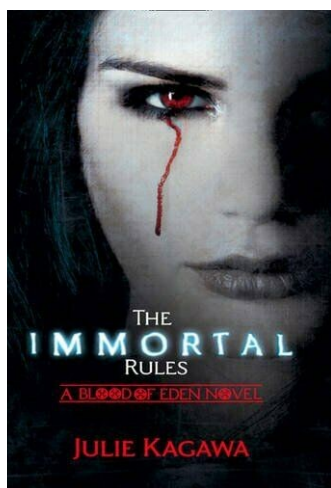
'Thunderhead' is the second book in the brilliant 'Arc of a Scythe' trilogy. I reviewed the first one 'Scythe' back in January and it really is a measure of the number of brilliant books I have read this year that I

Everything has changed in the world of the scythes. Citra and Rowan have disappeared. The floating city of Endura is gone. It looks like nothing else stands between Scythe Goddard and absolute power. Now that the Thunderhead is silent, the question remains: Is there anyone left who can stop him?



I could not go onto another book until I had read 'the Toll' and found out the ending. After many plot twists and turns (no spoilers here), Shusterman presents the reader with a bizarre and yet totally believable finale. I think it is reasonable to make the comparison here between Shusterman and Stephen King. This trilogy has made it into my top three for this year so far. I am thrilled to learn that plans are afoot to make a film. If the author is fully consulted, this could easily be as big as 'The Hunger Games'. Some mature content.





Fantasy?

Unpacking that box of donated books, I realised I needed to read some of them myself to assess their suitability for our Library shelves. Everyone knows I am 'a sucker for' (!) vampire stories so this was my first choice.

Allison Sekemoto survives in the Fringe, the outermost circle of a walled-in city. By day, she and her crew scavenge for food. By night, any one of them could be eaten. All that drives Allie is her hatred the vampires who keep humans for food until the night she dies...

I had this classed as fantasy but the Publishers have deemed it to be Dystopian. Whilst the first one works as a stand-alone novel, I may have to buy the series to determine the genre to my satisfaction!



Horror

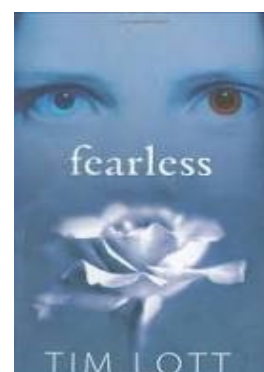
This was the next book out of the box. It looked strangely familiar from the cover and as I began to read, I became convinced I had read something similar before. Turns out we have the second in 'The Tunnel of Bones' series in our Library (which I had read) and this is the first. Now it makes far more sense and, of course, I will have to buy the next in the series. One proviso here, some American spelling and people are hung not hanged. Good one for Year 7 and 8s.

Ever since Cass drowned but was rescued by Jacob (a ghost), she can pull back the Veil that separates the living from the dead and enter the world of spirits. Cass's parents are hosting a TV series about the world's most haunted places and the family heads off to Edinburgh, Scotland for filming. Cass meets a girl who shares her "gift," she realizes how much she still has to learn about the Veil and herself.



MRS BRETT'S TOP 10 FOR 2021 (so far)

1. Fearless by Tim Lott
2. The Killer's Cousin by Nancy Werlin
3. Arc of a Scythe Trilogy
4. The Ickabog by J.K. Rowling
5. The Stolen Ones by Vanessa Curtis
6. The Rains by Gregg Hurwitz
7. Being Miss Nobody by Tamsin Winter
8. The Blackheart Legacy by Liz de Jager
9. Killer T by Robert Muchamore
10. One of Us by Jeannie Waudby



Those Eagle-eyed amongst you will have noticed a slight change in the order. Books where the story line is dimming with time are dropping down my list.

MANGA UPDATE

Great News, I have discovered that Manga has an age rating just like films. This is, without doubt, the trending genre but I have been reluctant to purchase books for our Library because of the fear of complaints for 'explicit content'.

MANGA RATINGS

E or A suitable for readers from age 6 +.

Y/G or Youth recommended for age 10+. May contain mild violence and/or cursing.

T or Teens recommended for age 13+, equivalent to a PG rated film. May contain some sexual innuendo and/or violent action scenes.

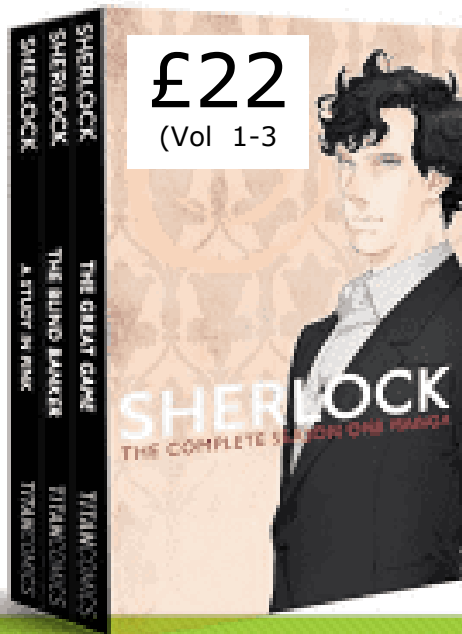
OT or Older Teens recommended for age 16+. May contain more explicit sexual situations and some violent scenes, including blood and gore.

M – Mature, Age 18+ strictly recommended for adults only. Will contain explicit sexual situations, strong language, and/or bloody battles and mayhem.

I will be restricting our Library purchases to a rating no higher than 'Teens'. Although I personally still have some reservations about 'Death Note', I have seen enough pupils reading their own copies to know that I need to move with the times.

I am shocked by how expensive Manga books are but guess this is attributable to the amount of time that goes into creating the original artwork. It goes without saying that if anyone has Manga they can bear to part with, please feel free to donate to our Library providing it is age appropriate.

At the end of our Fundraiser, these are the Manga books I am hoping to buy for September. If you have suggestions for additional titles, please let me know...

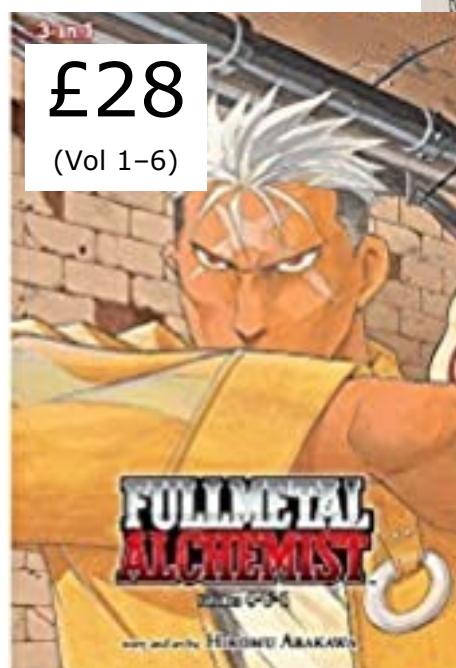


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1. Can you **IDENTIFY** each member of **STAFF**?

CLUES (Questions 11 and 16 are worth 2 points)

11. You should be able to identify this member of staff by a process of elimination!

16. The last name (surname) of this member of staff also begins with the letter 'P'.



2. Can you work out which was **their** favourite **CHILDHOOD BOOK**?

Need a clue?
Look at the age of some of these book covers!!!

OUR SCHOOL LIBRARY FUND RAISER QUIZ : ENTRY FORM

NAME..... TUTOR ROOM NO:

When you have identified the members of staff, write their names next to the numbers below.
As you match each one with their childhood book, write the letter of the book alongside.

Example: 1. Mr N Moore L


<u>STAFF MEMBER NAME</u>	<u>BOOK</u>	<u>STAFF MEMBER NAME</u>	<u>BOOK</u>
1.....	10.....
2.....	11.....
3.....	12.....
4.....	13.....
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READING CHALLENGE 2021**

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≡ HOW TO WEAR IT ≡



That's how
you use it



Not like this



Nope



Oh gosh no



What are
you doing?



Please pay
attention!