

B.O.T.B.

Bring. On. The. Books.

**Find out what is
happening in our School
Library Community
MARCH 2023**

Dear Library Friends,

Tears, tantrums and tiredness; March has been quite a month. Without doubt, we are ALL now looking forward to the Easter Holidays for rest, recuperation and reading a good book - or several - of course.

Thank you to all our 'regulars' for your continued support.

HAPPY READING!

Mrs Brett 
Library Co-Ordinator

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Mrs Brett's Library Report

STATISTICS for MARCH 2023

Books borrowed	467
Total books borrowed since September 2023	2,489
Books shelved by the Library Team	505
Total books shelved since September 2023	3,987
Number of overdue books	95

Topic Loans this month:

Science Department: Space

History Department: The Blitz

TASKS

1. Focus on the return of overdue Library books.
2. Processing new books.
3. Student Librarian training.
4. Consolidating lunchtime clubs, introduction of 'Whispering Wednesdays' to encourage readers.
5. WBD 60 words and literary egg competition.
6. Library review research.
7. Library article for the School Newsletter.
8. Library newsletter.



Library Noticeboard

LIBRARIAN

THANK YOU TO OUR ISSUES DESK LIBRARIANS; impressive team work this month and our Eclipse trainees have proved to be fast learners. Well done.

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Shhhhhh...

It's Whisper Wednesday



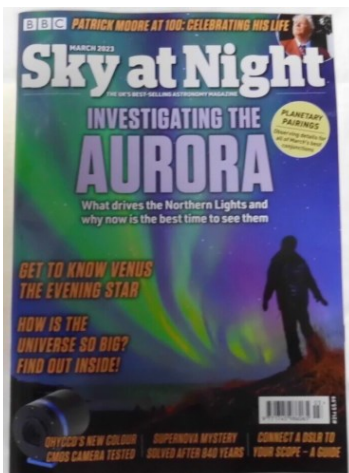
This is a new initiative...

to support our readers and to remind pupils there is no need to shout. I am thrilled by the response. We all enjoyed the calm space and I have been asked BY PUPILS to extend this to break time too.



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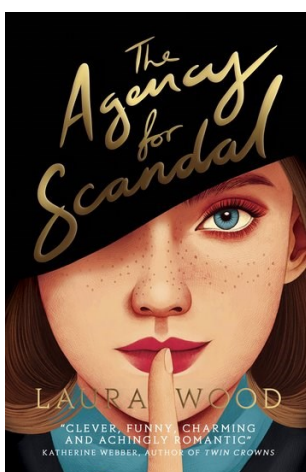
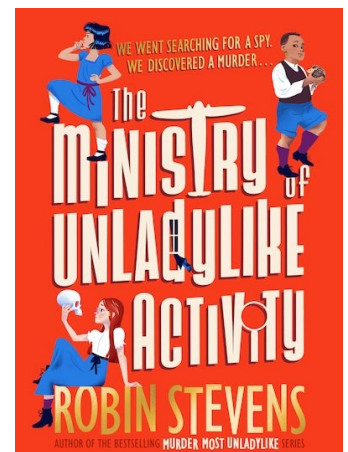
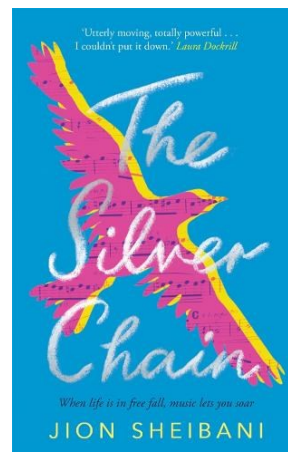
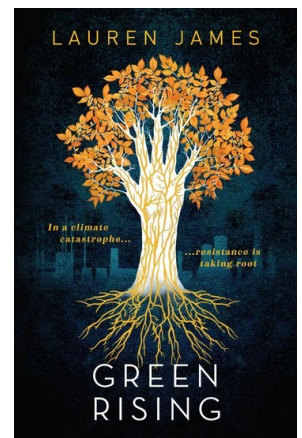
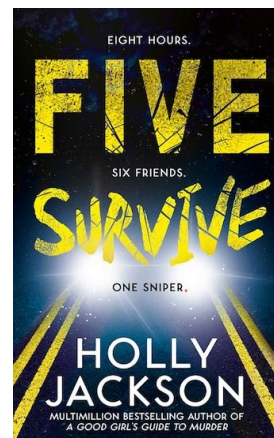
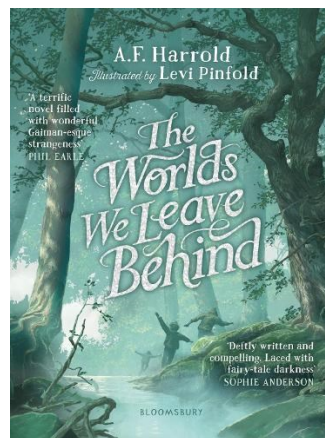
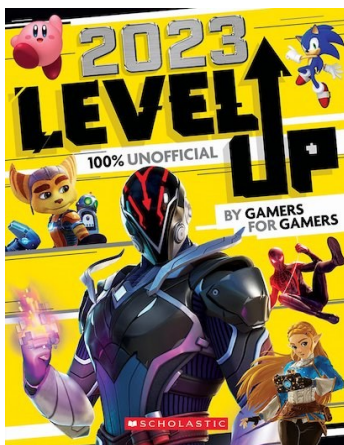
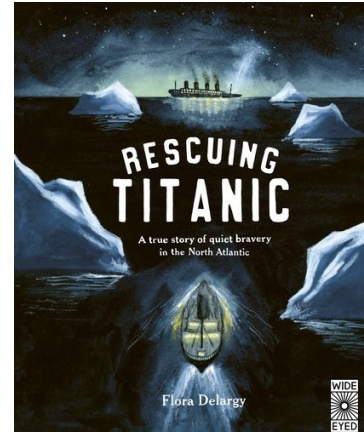
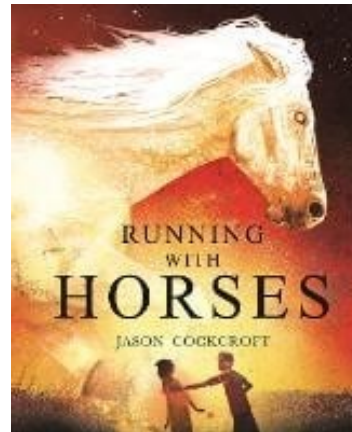
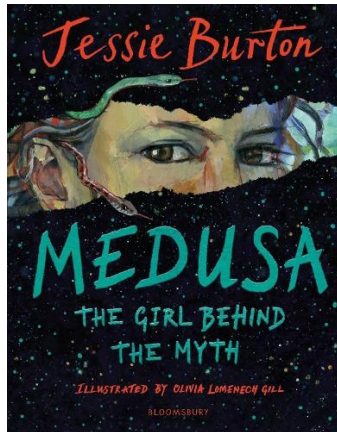
Our late entrant - who argued that an omnipotent being would destroy the human race - would have been the last speaker in the notional hot air balloon basket, but for their disqualification! Our Debate team members seem to enjoy discussing contentious subjects rather than following the lines of formal debate. Hot topics have included the reintroduction of capital punishment and whether telling a lie is ever justifiable. Next time, ROOM 101.



Mrs Frank has kindly funded a monthly subscription to 'Sky at Night' for our budding Astronomers.

Copies are available to browse in the Library.

NEW BOOKS



This selection of books has been purchased to appeal to a broad range of readers. If you would like to read and review, please see Mrs Brett.



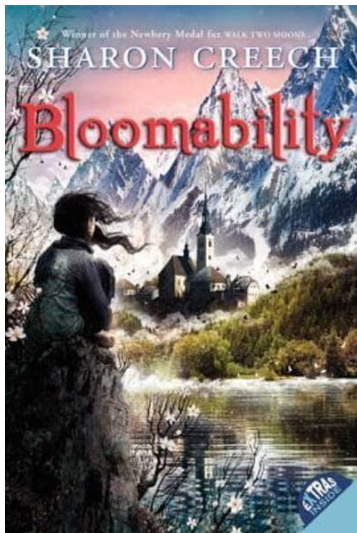
Mrs Brett thinks that several of these books will be awarded our Starbooks rating. To find out more about this Scheme, please ask one of our Student Librarians.



Mrs Brett's Reading : MARCH

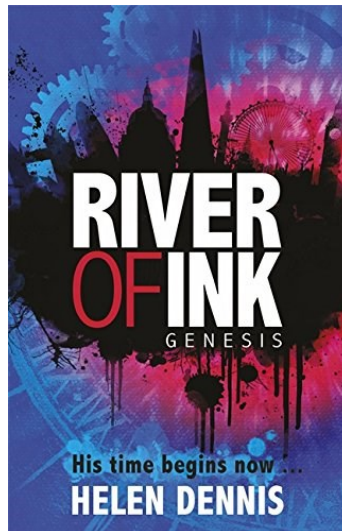


Sadly, not much reading this month. A trip to the Charity Shop resulted in the purchase of some adult thrillers. James Patterson writes in very short chapters and is therefore an excellent choice for those with a fear of books with 'too many' pages!



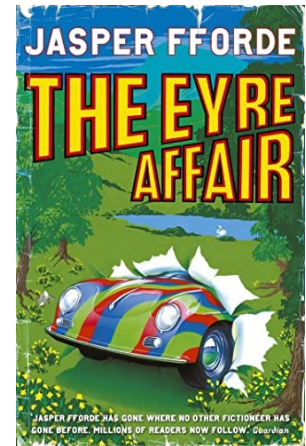
BLOOMABILITY

Awful title; awful cover, I read this one to see if it was worth saving. It is a brilliant 'coming of age' novel.



RIVER OF INK

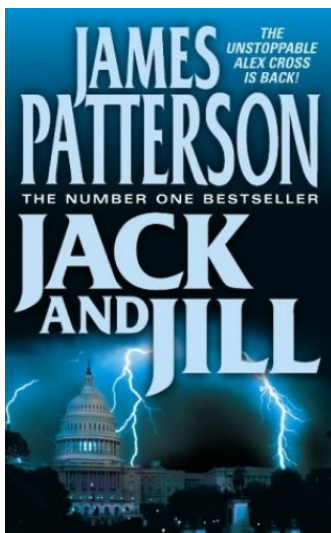
This one is always out on loan but I have managed to grab it! Definitely a page turner which fits into several genres. Ask Mrs Brett!



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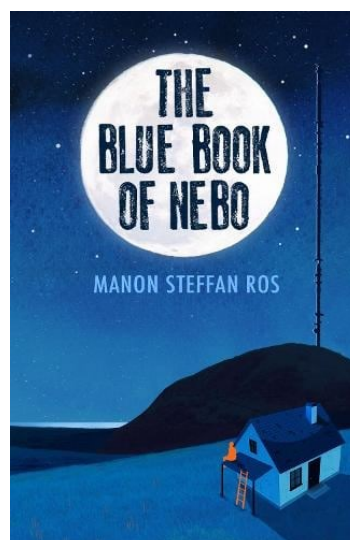
Love, love, love.

I have not enjoyed a book so much in ages. I am buying a copy for our Library and will be shelving it under Crime (depending on feedback, it may move to humour as it is very quirky).



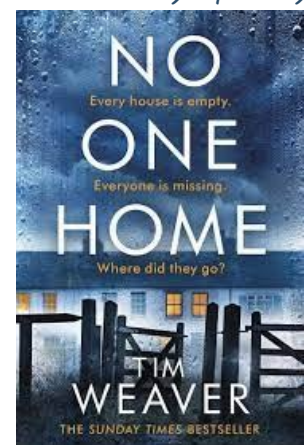
JACK AND JILL

An adult read, lots of graphic detail, definitely not for the faint hearted..



THE BLUE BOOK OF NEBO

My 2023 Carnegie Medal winner. A MUST READ.



NO ONE HOME

I struggled with this one until page 300ish. If you like Thrillers that go backwards and forwards in time, this is for you.



LIBRARY COMPETITION

Can you decorate an egg?

- The empty shell, not raw or hard boiled!
- To look like your favourite book/literary/historic character or famous celebrity (with a published biography) or songwriter.

Please bring your creation (with your Name and Tutor Group) down to our School Library for display.



Can you compose?

We have some very talented rappers, poets, song and creative writers BUT

- Can you express an idea in no more than 60 words?
- You can write about anything that interests you.
- Word processed/handwritten entries must have your name & Tutor.

**YES, you can enter both & Staff are welcome to participate too!
BRING your entries to our School Library for display & judging.**

Submission Deadline Extended

Please 'have a go' at one our both of these competitions over the Easter Holidays and bring your entries into our Library during the first week back.

WANTED

DEAD OR ALIVE



MISSING LIBRARY BOOKS

BIG REWARDS!*

* A clean conscience

We still have far too many overdue/lost Library books.

Please come and see Mrs Brett for an informal chat.

We just want our books back, no questions asked!

HALF-PRICE BOOK FAIR

Please visit our School Library to browse and buy from the vast selection of half price books



We are closed after the Easter Holidays for Year 10 Mock Examinations and then we will be celebrating our re-opening with a long awaited

HALF-PRICE BOOK FAIR

on

Thursday 4th May.

We are keen to encourage parents to purchase vouchers online to avoid cash being brought into School.

Please see this website for details:

<https://bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/gift-vouchers>

The more books we sell, the more free books for our School Library for everyone to enjoy.