



## Dear Library Friends,

I was set to publish this on 30th November but sadly, I was thwarted by yet another computer glitch followed by closure for Mock Examinations. With Christmas nearly upon us, November now seems very far away.

Before you read on, a quick shout out for two ex-pupils, **Calum** who spent many hours doing private study in our Library and **Rowan** who - so far - is my best ever Student Librarian.

As you can see, Calum has fulfilled his school boy dream of becoming a full-time professional goalkeeper. Calum is a very personable young man, ambitious, hardworking, self-motivated, talented and intelligent!



**Queen's Park Football Club**

17 November at 14:01 · 🌐



Your Bucks Bar Southside Player of the Month for October, Calum Ferrie.



Meanwhile, Rowan continues to thrive, following his passion for politics, he is now enjoying his new role as Impact Researcher for the UCL's Constitution Unit. Every Christmas, Rowan hangs his 2018 ceramic star up on the tree in his London digs and I have promised him a new one for 2023. To think, it all began in our Library!

Happy Reading

**Mrs Brett**

**Library Co Ordinator**



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# Mrs Brett's Monthly Library Report

## STATISTICS

### Month ending 30th NOVEMBER 2023

Books shelved by the Library Team	679
Books issued to staff and pupils	197
Books lost/damaged and withdrawn	2
Overdue Books	105

## TASKS

1. Optional lesson for Year 7 English (Quiz).
2. Corridor display for Remembrance.
3. Scholastic Book Fair. Over three days we raised a phenomenal £663 (see later article).
4. Reorganising the Library layout (after the book fair). We have set up a permanent pre-loved book sale shelf, and a new careers section as well as relocating our Manga and Book-et books).
5. Visit to Lakelands School Library and arranging a visit to the new Thomas Adams Wem Library (all part of the ongoing Library Review).
6. Jammie Dodger reading groups morning registration meetings
7. Consolidating the Library Team and fast tracking the Year 7 'newbies'. Sending out 'consents' for the School Newsletter.
8. Reading and scribing for Year 11 Mock Access arrangements.
9. Processing new books.
10. Chasing overdue/lost/damaged books.
11. Repairing damaged books.
12. November newsletter.





# BOOK FAIR

Historically, I have always held half-price book fairs. I have noticed, however, that since Covid, more and more students (parents and carers!) are happy to buy books at full price either online or from independent book stores. With this in mind, I decided to run a three day full-price book fair and have to say, I am thrilled with sales of **£663.00**. We are currently converting our commission into a significant number of new books for our School Library. Thanks to pupils, parents and carers for your generosity.

## **£5 Scholastic book fair vouchers were awarded to:**

**Amy** : my Library deputy and a prolific reader.

**Melissa** : my top book recommender (fantastic authors I have not heard of.

**Jensen** : introduced me to several Graphic Novel series as well as donating a number of his own books.

**Bethany** : who set herself the target of reading 23 books in 2023

**May** : (the best Librarian statement to justify receiving the last voucher).

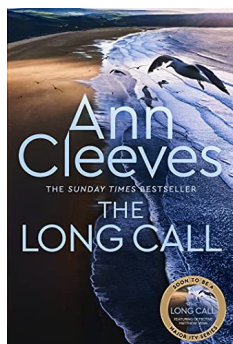
Final thanks (and bars of chocolate) to **Harry and Willow** who made a fantastic sales team. Between them, they came up with the hard sell "are you going to be selfish and keep the penny change or would you like to donate it to our Library for more books?" EPIC.



## **Mrs Brett's Reading : December**

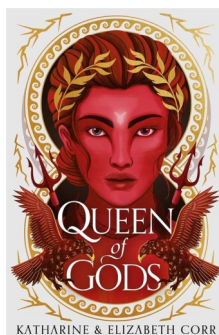


My first official Christmas craft fayre is a-coming, so not much reading this month; just crime and fantasy (my favourites).



### **CRIME**

*Bought for a £1!!!  
Recommended for  
readers of 'A Good  
Girl's Guide to Murder'  
and 'Truly Devious'.*



### **FANTASY**

*A brilliant sequel! If  
you enjoy Greek  
mythology with a  
dash of romance,  
this is for you.*



# JAMMIE DODGERS : Our Wish List

I have updated this list by crossing out the ones we now have in stock, all purchased in response to pupils' requests! Please keep those recommendations coming.

