THE BOOKSHELF SPRING 2023

"Is the spring coming?" he said. "What is it like?" "It is the sun shining on the rain and the rain falling on the sunshine..."

- from The Secret Garden by Frances Hodgson Burnett

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING IN YOUR SCHOOL LIBRARY THIS TERM?





NEW READING AREA – We're thrilled with our new reading area. Thanks to some DLP funding we were able to buy soft seating and tables to create a space specifically for our students to read for pleasure. Its been a real hit and a great place to chat with friends, read a good book and more importantly for us to showcase some new titles.





ACCESSIT – We are now using a new library software package called **Accessit**. To view our new library dashboard use the link below.

https://uk.accessit.online/bsh09/#!dashboard

"The aim of the library is to create the environment and facilities where students and staff may read, study and seek information."

EBOOKS, AUDIOBOOKS & ONLINE MAGAZINES AND NEWSPAPERS

This term we have been busy promoting the benefits of ebooks and other online reading resources to our students. As well as access to Wheelers e-Platform there is another app available called Libby. This is available to all students and parents and has a huge range of books, magazines, newspapers and resources. See the information below on how to access both of these amazing resources.

ePlatform - is a library lending system designed to make the borrowing and reading of eBooks as well as the listening of Audiobooks simple and enjoyable. All our students can use this fantastic resource and have access to over 2000 titles either as a download or an audiobook.



https://bishopchalloner.org.uk/library/wheelers-E-Platform

<u>To login students should use their usual computer username and the</u> <u>password - BCReading1!</u>



LIBBY APP Birmingham Public Libraries To access their e catalogue (**Overdrive**) you

just need to register via the link below:

It will then give you access to the Libby App.

Once you have registered and receive a SELFREG number you just need to email : enquiries@libraryofbirmingham.com and request an account. It takes just a couple of minutes to do this and then you will have access to some great resources - new titles, trending titles, classics, non - fiction and over 1700 magazines - all FREE to borrow.

Birmingham Public Libraries - <u>https://birmingham.spydus.co.uk/cgi-</u> bin/spydus.exe/MSGTRN/WPAC/JOIN **PAIRED READING** – Our paired reading programme had a great boost at the end of 2022 with our reading mentors taking part in the Reader Leader training through The Children's Literacy Charity. We have a targeted group of Yr9 & Yr10 students who regularly meet with their Sixth Form reading mentor. Progress is measured regularly via their reading diaries and a twice yearly online assessment and we're delighted to say that recent tests indicate our readers are doing extremely well.



For more information the programme and the charity visit: <u>https://thechildrensliteracycharity.org.uk/</u>

READING TEACHERS – READING PUPILS @BISHOPCHALLONER

Reading Teachers = Reading Pupils (RTRP) ignites a love of reading in teachers and children.

Our RTRP group are nearly at the end of this years book selections. We're now on our penultimate title and have loved the whole process. We have not always loved the books and they have certainly caused a lot of discussion but that's the great part about it ... books are meant to broaden your horizons, encourage discussion and hopefully promote a love of reading.



To find out more about RTRP go to: https://www.cheltenhamfestivals.com/rtrp



We love to show off our wonderful library and our displays are one way for us to promote what's new, celebrate an event or just highlight what we have on the shelves.



If you want to keep up to date with what's happening in the library follow us:



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LIBRARY OPENING TIMES



Mon - Thurs - 8.00am - 4.00 Friday - 8.00am – 2.30pm

Keep up to date with the latest library news and events....

