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Dear Parents and Carers of Year 7 Students,

We are pleased to announce that Year 7 students will be able to use the library from Monday 5th October. All Year 7 students will be issued with a barcode, which will be stuck into their planner, to allow them to scan out books from the library.

Students will be able to borrow one book at a time, with a loan period of three weeks. They can renew the loan, or return the book, by visiting the library. Students will be given an overdue reminder via their form tutor if the book is not returned by the given date, allowing for a further week for the return. If the book is not returned within five weeks of the initial issue date, we will presume the book is lost and a replacement charge of £5 will need to be made via ParentPay.

For your child to start borrowing books from the library, please agree to these borrowing terms via the form below and choose your KS3/KS4 reading consent options:

Library lending agreement – Fill in form

The library is divided into two sections; KS3 and KS4 books. All Year 7 students can borrow books from across the KS3 section, which includes series such as:

- *The Maze Runner* James Dashner
- *The Hunger Games* Suzanne Collins
- *Percy Jackson* Rick Riordan
- *The Ministry of Unladylike Activity* Robin Stevens

However the books in the KS4 section are placed there for a number of reasons. They may contain scenes of a sexual nature, use explicit language or violence or deal with subjects that we feel are too adult for your child at this time. If students wish to borrow books from the KS4 section, we must have permission from parents to do so, and trust that parents have approved the content for their child. This includes series such as:

- *City of Bones* Cassandra Clare
- *A Good Girl's Guide to Murder* Holly Jackson
- *One of Us is Lying* Karen M. McManus
- *Heartstopper* Alice Osman

You can also now search the school's collection of resources using the link below, which will can also be on our school website. (Learning > Library)
https://uk.accessit.online/drh02

A quick search will find resources by author, title, keyword, series and other fields. The library homepage contains lots of useful information, including a carousel of recommended resources and a video showing how to use the website. If you click on the "Dashboards" button at the top of the screen you will be able to access other useful pages, e.g. subject-specific dashboards.

We hope students enjoy accessing the library. Kind regards,

Library Team