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Poole High School Reading and Literacy Newsletter

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Hello all

Well done for your collective resilience around school during this extended lockdown! We are so proud of you all. I hope you are, like me, able to find some relaxation in reading after a busy day online or supporting live lessons.

In the last newsletter I touched upon how some of you might be struggling with where to find accessible reading, either online or as physical books during lockdown, and I am delighted to have shared brand new Google Classrooms curated especially for your children in Years 7 and 8. Almost 80% of our students have accessed this in the first week; please do check if you're not sure your child has accepted their invite.

Next month is World Book Day – updates on what is happening in the Google Classrooms soon!

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Remember!

Science has proven the benefits of daily reading. 30 minutes a day of engaged, uninterrupted reading has been shown to lower stress levels, increase vocabulary, and to improve literacy levels.

Reviews and links!

A request: are you planning to buy this book for your child?

Would they like to review it for us? (link in picture for a message and sneak peak from the lovely (and local) author!)



I've got my copy but it would be great to hear from our young people about this book.



Local libraries are partially open; please visit https://www.poole.gov.uk/libraries-museums-art-and-culture/libraries/ for information about opening hours and Covid-safe regulations for visitors. READING FOR PLEASURE: WHERE TO FIND BOOKS IN LOCKDOWN.



Click on the image below to be taken straight to the new Reading Matters Google Classrooms!





There are a HUGE amount of resources and links on the Google Classroom. Enjoy!

Most book-sellers in the independent sector, along with libraries and charity shops, have unfortunately had to close their doors again. Online ordering is being honoured quickly though with many shops offering speedy home delivery. In order to help you source books in the most suitable and affordable way for you, here are some suggestions.

 BorrowBox – free to borrow audiobooks available from your local library. The app is free to download and very easy to use. Free here: <u>https://www.borrowbox.com/</u> , but also has apps in Apple or Google Play Store.

Fabulous blog here with children's book recommendations

LIBRARY LADY

NEWS FROM THE WORLD OF CHILDREN'S BOOKS

World Book Day £1 book tokens will be available in digital format too this year.

More information to follow.