Plymstock Library News

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LIBRARY, where they keep the truth serum, and the magic carpets.' *Philbrick, R(1993) Freak the Mighty*



We currently run three books groups every week: Y12 Monday Break 1 Currently reading "Sixteen Souls" Y7 Wednesday Break 2 Currently reading "Skandar" Y8 Thursday Break 1 Currently reading "Where Our Worlds Collided"

If you are in Year 9, 10 or 11 and would like to start a book group, please pop into the library and speak to a member of staff.

The Importance of 'Reading for Pleasure

'Reading for Pleasure' or 'Reading for Enjoyment' are terms used to explain **"reading that we do of our own free will, anticipating the satisfaction that we will get from the act of reading**" It is reading that we have chosen purely for entertainment.

Every student at Plymstock School is automatically enrolled into the school library and, therefore, has the opportunity to enrich their lives with reading.

Research shows that not only does reading improve our literacy skills, it is also an essential tool for our mental wellbeing and self-esteem. A 2009 study by the University of Sussex found that **reading for just six minutes can actually reduce stress levels by up to 68**%.

Our library staff have a wealth of knowledge to guide you through your reading journeys. We all enjoy popular books such as 'The Diary of a Wimpy Kid' and 'Heartstopper', but we are also able to recommend other books which we know that you will enjoy. Our aim is to open up new worlds, cultures and experiences and find the right books for YOU, helping you to become lifelong readers.

What Staff Members Are Reading:

Mr<mark>s Ma</mark>rshall (Maths) 'The Stolen Heir' by Holly <mark>Blac</mark>k (teenage fiction)

Mrs Graves (Art) 'Wide Sargasso Sea' by Jean Rhys (adult fiction)

Mr Wookey (HOY) 'The Man Who Made Things Out of Trees' by Rob Levin (adult fiction)

Mrs Graham (Maths) 'S.T.A.G.S' by M.A Bennett (teenage fiction)

Mr Gerry (Maths) 'Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone' by J K Rowling (teenage fiction)

Mrs Bartlett (English) 'Sorrow and <mark>Bliss</mark>' by Meg Mason (adult fiction)

Pride Month Highlights

'Like Hunger Games but better'

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Caitlyn Y7 Recommends Rick by Alex Gino and What's Alex Gino Dawson the T by Juno Dawson

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A brilliant page turning thriller with male/male romance.

British teenagers are encountering a mental health epidemic. Is Happy Head an answer to their problems? A residential programme set up to support and positively impact the participants', but the sessions are becoming weirder and more dangerous by the second.

Really enjoyable , fast paced dystopian five star read

Mrs Elliott $\star \star \star \star \star \star$

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NEW ADDITIONS



Scholastic Half Price Book Fair

Thank you to all staff and students who came to our book fair last term.

Your purchases helped us to raise £30 worth of free books for our library.

The school library now has a brand new collection of exciting magazines, available to read during break and lunch :)

