



Library Newsletter



October 2022

Welcome to the first library newsletter of the academic year. We hope that the students who are new to the Barnwood Park family have settled in to our school's routines, and wish you and our returning students a fantastic year.

The newsletter will be published at various times throughout the school year and will contain information relating to the library and books/reading, as well as competitions, quizzes and challenges. We have already had a busy few months in the library with two competitions, an autumn sale and a visit to the Cheltenham Literature Festival. The results of our latest competition to write a poem on 'The Environment' will be published in the next newsletter, but look out for the 'Design a Logo!' winner in this one!

INFORMATION FOR NEW STUDENTS AND REMINDERS FOR RETURNING STUDENTS

IS IT YOUR BIRTHDAY?

Why don't you come to the library to design your own birthday bookmark? If you have already had your birthday since coming to school in September and haven't yet created your bookmark, it is not too late to make one! We have wooden bookmarks or you can choose scratch art to create your design.

Don't worry if your birthday falls on a weekend or during a holiday period, as you can still come to the library before or after your special occasion to design your bookmark!

Reading Challenge: Can you read 25 books by the end of the school year?



If you think you can, come to the library to take part in the challenge and receive further details. You will be awarded **one house point for each one of our library books that you read**, so what are you waiting for?

Once you have read 25 books, you will receive an achievement badge (designed by our competition winner) and certificate, as well as your house points.

A number of students have already taken up the challenge!





INFORMATION AND REMINDERS (CONTINUED)

BOOK SWAP:

If you have a book at home that you have finished with, you can bring it in to swap with another.

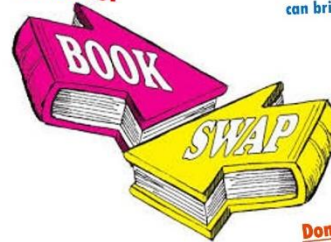
Your book must be in good condition so that it can be enjoyed by somebody else and you must also have the permission of a parent or carer – you will need to sign to let us know that you have their permission.

Book Swap: Lunchtimes

Please bring in your paperback book to be swapped with another

Books can be swapped at lunchtimes, so as soon as you have finished with a book, you can bring it in

Get permission from a parent or carer



Only bring in a book that you no longer need

Books must be in good condition

Don't worry if you can't find a book you would like this time, as you will be issued with a token and can look again another day



YOUR STAFF LIBRARIANS:

Ms Green - 08:00 to 08:30



Mrs Scanlan - 08:30 to 14:00



Mrs Beale - 12:15 to 15:15



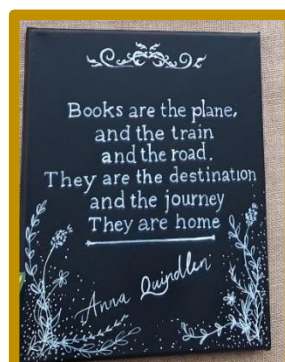
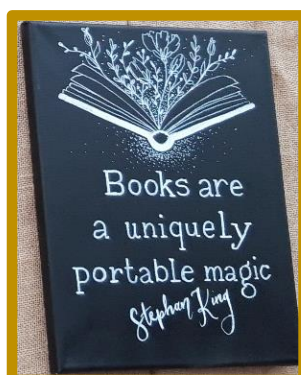
Our Student Librarians

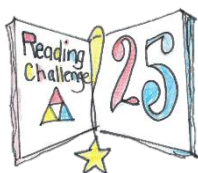
Thank you to all those Y7s who put their names forward for the Student Librarian role. The Librarians are carrying out one duty per week and this will continue until the end of the academic year.

We hope that you are enjoying your new role in the library.

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Literature
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READING QUOTES
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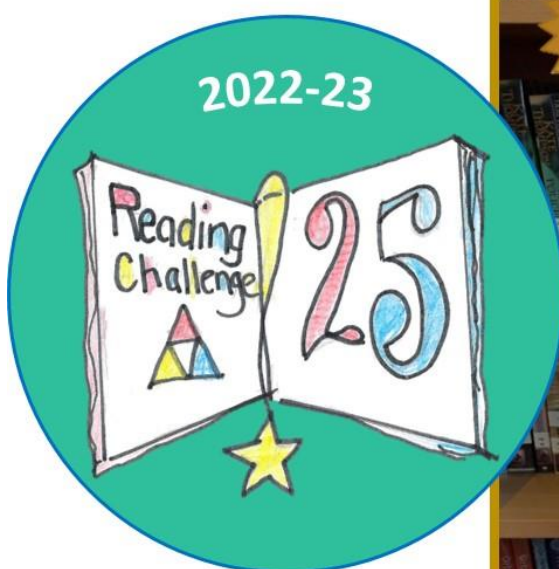




DESIGN A LOGO!



Thank you to all those who took part in the competition to design a logo for our Reading Challenge badges. We received in excess of 20 entries, some hand-drawn and others drawn using digital apps. The quality of designs was extremely high with entries from each year group, so it made choosing a winner difficult, but we finally decided on Lily's design, which incorporated all aspects of the Reading Challenge. **Well done to all, particularly to Lily in Y7!**



FABULOUS LIBRARIES FROM AROUND THE WORLD:

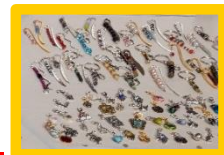
The world's largest monastic library is in Admont Abbey in Styria, Austria and was built in 1776. It is known for its **Baroque** (see definition) architecture, art and manuscripts.

Baroque – Definition: Relating to or denoting a style of European architecture, music and art of the 17th and 18th centuries - it is characterised by ornate detail.





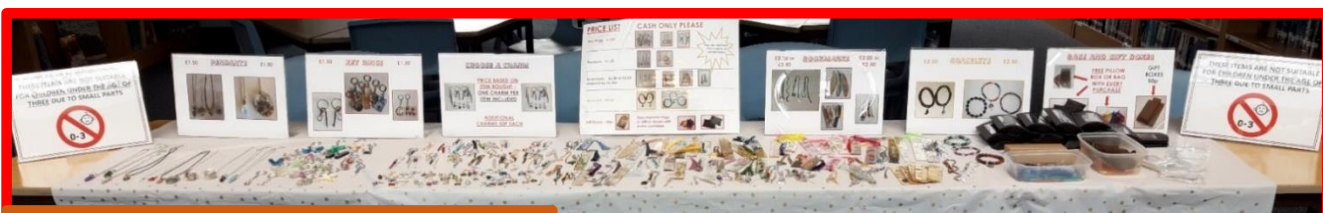
AUTUMN SALE!



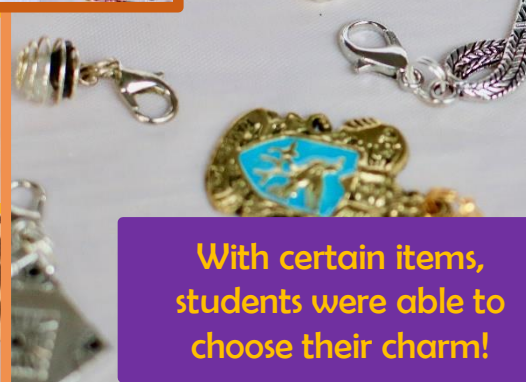
BOOKMARKS, KEY RINGS, BRACELETS AND PENDANTS

Our autumn sale took place in the library over a two-day period and we made a magnificent **£332** for our school charities. Thank you to all the students and staff who supported the event, but special thanks in particular to the following students who helped to make and/or sell the items:

Annaliese, Blue, Lily, Lisa, Megan, Melody and Natalie



Annaliese, Megan and Lisa



With certain items, students were able to choose their charm!





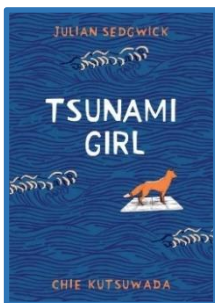
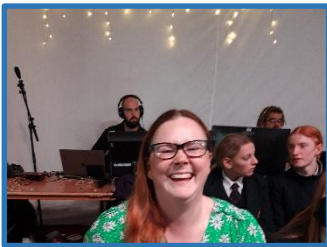
THE CHELTENHAM LITERATURE FESTIVAL



On Monday 10th October, Miss Williams and Mrs Scanlan took a group of thirty students from all year groups to the Cheltenham Literature Festival. The students observed the 'Battle of the Books' debate before taking part in a workshop - both events were hosted by Julian Sedgwick, author of 'Tsunami Girl'.



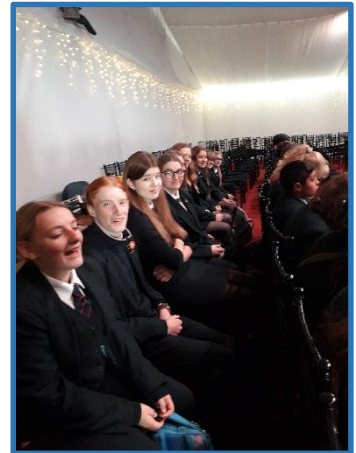
The 'Battle of the Books' involved students from five secondary schools in Gloucestershire who battled it out for their chosen book to be named winner. This year's theme was 'Read the World' where schools chose a book to champion which builds empathy with a culture other than their own. The audience asked the schools' representatives questions, with our own students contributing. Jorja asked where one of the books (Illegal) was set, while Hussein asked what the weapons used in 'The Explorer' were. Blue wanted to know how the good aspects of a particular book (I Am Change) showed empathy.



Our students then attended a workshop during which they were given a planning method for creating an engaging story using a four-step process. The author drew on his own experiences in Japan to explain the process.

After the event, Julian Sedgwick was kind enough to comment, **"Many thanks to you and your students for being so involved and supportive!"**.

Everybody enjoyed the trip to the full, as we also visited other areas of the festival including the bookshops, where there was an opportunity to buy signed books by the author!





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BOOK COVER QUIZ



Can you work out the book or book series that these covers are from?
Answers to sbeale@barnwood-park.gloucs.sch.uk for house points.

Many thanks,

Mrs Scanlan and Mrs Beale