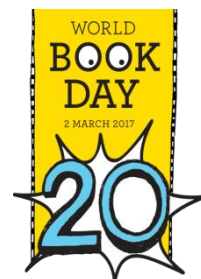
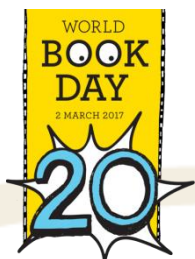


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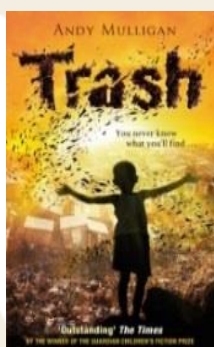


"A book is a device to ignite the imagination." - Alan Bennett



World Book Day 2017, Thursday 2 March: This national day of fun and celebration, which highlights the importance of reading for pleasure, began with special presentations at assembly and the distribution of free books and WBD vouchers to boys in Years 7 and 8. The day continued with the colourful decoration of the dining-hall and a specially adapted book-themed Lunch Menu. Book recommendations were placed around the tables and a lunchtime celebration took place in the Library, where some very excited pupils gathered to take part in our Literature Quizzes and 'Design a National Book Token' competition. Bolstered by the party atmosphere and a tempting array of cakes, sweets, biscuits and fruit on offer, we wish to congratulate our prize-winners, Varun Valentine, Ethan Beardwell, Odin Verden and Ken Houghton and runners-up, Andrew MacKenzie, Vinay Kapoor, Roman Filippov and Adnan Kachwala for their splendid work.

Author Visit to St Margaret's School: On Tuesday 28 February, a small group of enthusiastic readers, accompanied by Mrs Halsey and Mrs Trafford, visited St Margaret's School, Bushey, to meet writer and theatre director, **Andy Mulligan**. Mr Mulligan gave an uplifting talk on his experience as an English teacher at the British School in Manila, describing the vast disparity between rich and poor. He also discussed how children from the slums inspired his novel, 'Trash', a riveting thriller, which has been adapted for cinema. The presentation concluded with a Q&A session and the opportunity for pupils to meet Mr Mulligan personally, while he signed copies of his books. We would like to thank the Librarian of St Margaret's for arranging such an inspirational and enjoyable afternoon.





Carnegie Club: Keen readers are invited to join us at lunchtime on Mondays, in the Library, to discuss the books on the shortlist to win this prestigious annual book award. An early favourite of mine is **The Bone Sparrow**, by Zana Fraillon, a review of which can be found in the fiction section of this newsletter. This year's Shadowing Event will take place at Northwood College on the afternoon of Monday 19th June, where we will be joined by girls from the school and girls from St Helen's School. More information on the shortlisted books and shadowing process can be found at www.ckg.org.uk.

Duke of Edinburgh Voluntary Service: Year 10 pupils are invited to contact the Librarians if they wish to volunteer for service, to comply with the Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award Scheme. This involves fifteen hours of work, spread over the course of three months. There is plenty of opportunity to complete this part of the course, as duties may be carried out before or after school and at break time and lunch time.



A Selection of New DVDs

New DVDs include **'Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children'**, based on the book by Ransom Riggs, the award-winning Holocaust thriller **'Remember'** and Simon Schama's documentary series **'A History of Britain'**.



A Selection of New Non-Fiction

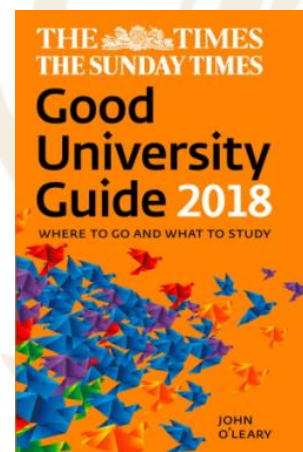
Careers

40 Successful Personal Statements for UCAS Application, Guy and Gavin Nobes, (CAREERS STU).

Getting into Business and Economics Courses, Michael McGrath, (CAREERS STU).

Getting into Engineering Courses, James Burnett, (CAREERS STU).

The Times Good University Guide, 2018: Where to Go and What to Study, John O'Leary, (CAREERS STU).



History

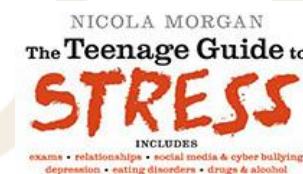
Why Ireland Starved: A Quantitative and Analytical Approach to the History of the Irish Economy, 1800-1850, Joel Mokyr, (941.5081MOK).

Psychology

Overcoming Insomnia and Sleep Problems: A Self-Help Guide using Cognitive Behavioural Techniques, Colin Espie, (616.8498 ESP).

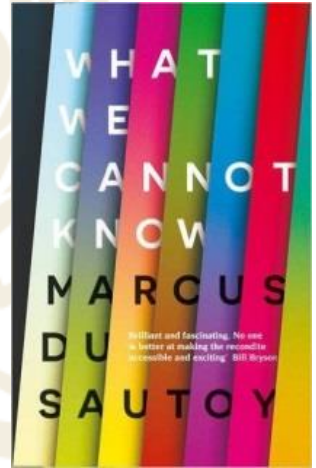
Qualitative Research into Counselling and Psychotherapy, John McLeod (Ed.), (361.06 McL).

The Teenage Guide to Stress, Nicola Morgan, (155.9042 MOR).



Mathematics

What we Cannot Know: Explorations at the Edge of Knowledge, Marcus Du Sautoy, (510 DuS).



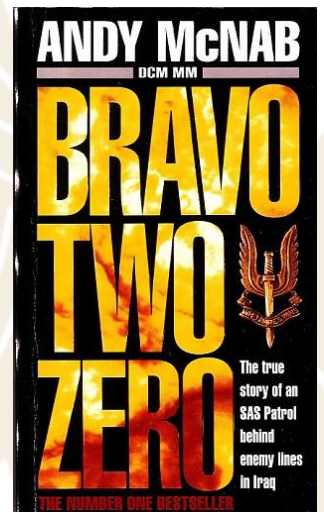
A Selection of Autobiographies

Bravo Two Zero, Andy MacNab, (956.70442 McN).

A Long Way Home: A Memoir, Saroo Brierley, (920 BRI).

Jarhead: A Soldier's Story of Modern War, Anthony Swofford, (956.70442 SWO).

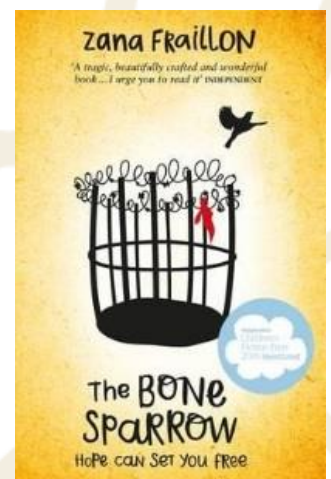
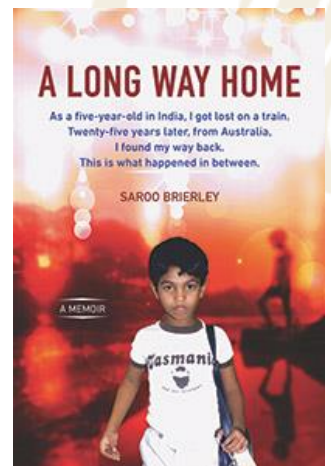
The One that Got Away, Chris Ryan, (956.70442 RYA).



A Selection of New Fiction

The Bone Sparrow, Zana Fraillon. Winner of the 2016 Costa Children's Book Prize, this powerful and moving thriller, poses some challenging questions about refugees, war and friendship. It has also been shortlisted for this year's Carnegie Prize.

City of Ghosts, Bali Rai. Historical novel set in 1919 in Amritsar, a city on the brink of revolution. Three innocent citizens are swept up in the riots, violence and tension which spill onto the streets, changing their lives for ever. An epic tale of rich and poor, love, war and death.





Read Around the World

A selection of fiction from around the world made by Mrs Halsey.

Half of a Yellow Sun, Purple Hibiscus, Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie (Biafra/Nigeria)

Young Samurai Series, Chris Bradford (Japan)

The London Eye Mystery, Siobhan Dowd (London)

A Passage to India, A Room with a View, E.M. Forster (India, Florence)

A Thousand Splendid Suns, The Kite Runner, Khaled Hosseini (Afghanistan)

The Fastest Boy in the World, The Garbage King, Elizabeth Laird (Ethiopia)

The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo, Stieg Larsson (Sweden)

The Middle of Nowhere, Geraldine McCaughrean (Australia)

Trash, Andy Mulligan (The Philippines)

City of Ghosts, Bali Rai (India)

Spud, John van de Ruit (South Africa)

Revolver, Marcus Sedgwick (Arctic Circle)

A Town Like Alice, Nevil Shute (Australia)

The Wall, William Sutcliffe (Israel and Palestine)