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## Queen Elizabeth II quiz Winners announced!



Congratulations to all students who took part in the library's QE2 quiz, following the death of Her Majesty The Queen early in September.

Cody and Aiden (year8) were the highest scorers, both achieving 80%. They were each presented with a copy of **The Usborne Book of Kings and Queens** for doing so well.



Questions centred around the remarkable life of the late monarch and events that occurred during her 70-year long reign. Participants were able to pick up clues for their answers from information sources and fact files that were set up around the library.

Other students who also scored highly were as follows:

### **Year 7**

Henry, Manuel and Ryan

### **Year 8**

Francesco, Freddie, Hose and Jay

### **Years 10 – 13**

Finley, Teddy, Luka, Oscar, Sam and Billy

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# Black History Month

**BHM - Book of the Month**

**Witness by Alex Wheatle**

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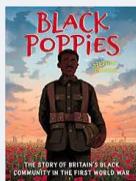
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**Witness** – this is **Cornell's** story.  
He is faced with a huge dilemma.  
**Read about it ...what would you do?**



Year 10s were invited to read and to keep a free copy of **Witness**, a compelling short story by acclaimed author Alex Wheatle.

Cornell, the main protagonist, is faced with a huge dilemma – a problem which he has to solve in a way that doesn't impact negatively on his loved ones. This story gives the reader much to think about, definitely one that packs a punch – well worth a read!!



## **\*\*New\*\***

**Black Poppies by Stephen Bourne**

This book details the extraordinary contribution made by Black men and women to help Britain during the Great War of 1914 – 1918.



### **BHM Must-Reads!**

- **Black Britain: a Photographic History** by Paul Gilroy and Stuart Hall
- **Timelines from Black History: Leaders, Legends, Legacies** by Nneka Okoye
- **A Place for Me: Stories About the Windrush Generation** by Dame Floella Benjamin and K.N. Chimbiri



## Library users check out the new school library catalogue



The new school library catalogue was launched in September. Looking for fiction and non-fiction titles is more straightforward than it used to be, due to the colourful, eye-catching, user-friendly interface. The number of students who are choosing to make independent book searches has noticeably increased!

The on-screen format is menu-based, which allows for searching by word, title, subject, author, series and genre. Students are also able to obtain additional book titles by selecting options for books which have a similar plot to the ones that they are interested in and they can also look for other books that are written by their favourite authors via the “More by this Author” option.

A “rolling carousel” of new books, popular book titles and recent returns is also on the menu and is regularly updated.

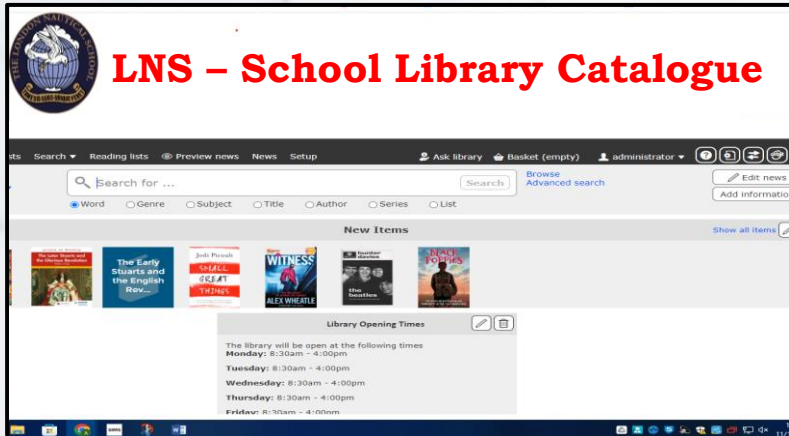




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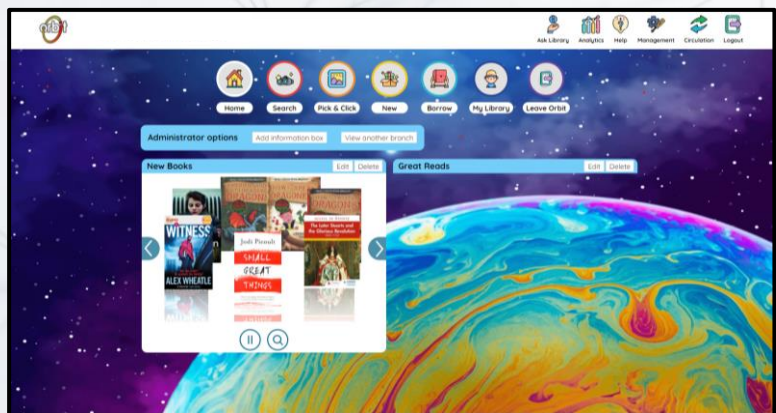


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The catalogue is definitely a work in progress! Mrs. Suter is continuing to work on it to make it custom-made for the different interests, reading levels and needs of our students.

In the near future, they should be able to access their own library account to keep up-to-date with their loan history. They should also be able to reserve books and to search for school library books out of school hours.





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ROYAL SOCIETY  
YOUNG PEOPLE'S

**BOOK  
PRIZE**

**2022**

## The Big Reveal!



The Big Reveal (thanks for coining the phrase, Aiden!) took place in early November. No-one on the core judging panel, including the librarian, knew the titles of the books prior to opening the box. This made it so much more exciting when the contents of the parcel, sent by the Royal Society, were disclosed!

Panel members definitely have their favourites, some have also noticed that quite a few of the shortlisted titles have links to other curriculum subjects (e.g., History, Geography and DT).



The books (which will be kept by the library at the end of the competition) try to present complex science subjects in a simple way. The RS hope that they will appeal to students who already have a love of the subject as well as those who are still yet to be convinced that science isn't boring...

**The winning book will be announced in Spring 2023**

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## The Shortlist

The six shortlisted books, along with a brief description of what they are about, are as follows:



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### 1. Beetles for Breakfast

Explores different ways to save the planet.

### 2. Fantastically Great Women Scientists

Details the achievements of women in science. From the past to the present day.

### 3. Fourteen Wolves

Tells the story of rewilding a family of wolves in a US national park.

### 4. How Was That Built?

Looks at the science and construction behind well-known buildings and landmarks.

### 5. If the World Were 100 People

Focuses on citizens around the world. Reminds the reader that we all come in different shapes, sizes, colours and abilities.

### 6. Microbe Wars

An introduction to the world of the microscopic, bacteria and viruses.





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## Bookbuzz books have arrived!

Bookbuzz



A great deal of excitement followed the arrival and distribution of these wonderful books: 17 titles, on this year's BookTrust – recommended reading list.

Every Year 7 student was invited to read and to keep a title of their choice – a difficult task with so many good books on offer! One of the most popular titles in the pack, chosen by many students, was Marcus Rashford's **You Are a Champion**. Some of our students said that they see him as an inspirational figure and others chose the book because they like to follow football players.



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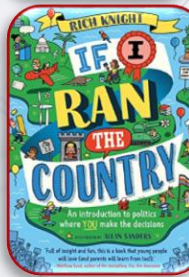
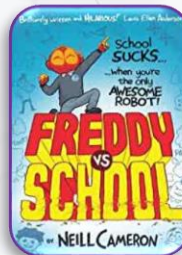
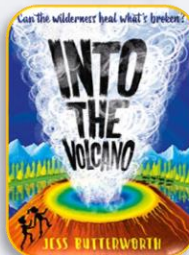
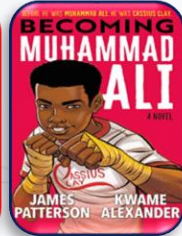
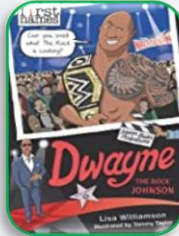
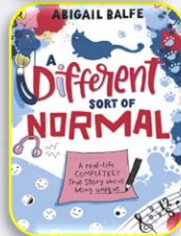
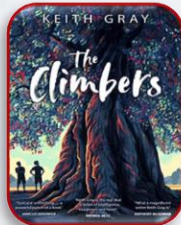


Everyone is a reader...  
Some just  
haven't found  
their favorite  
book  
yet.



## NEW BOOKS!

New graphic novels, biographies and books about topical subjects such as climate change are on the library shelves ready to be taken away – A good read guaranteed!!



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### Library helpers to the rescue!

Many thanks to Ahmed, Cavell and Marc for undertaking library assistant duties at different times throughout the term. Their book-processing endeavours have enabled the librarian to get a significant number of books shelf-ready for addition to the Accelerated Reader and main library collection.

This work comes with lovely benefits – they have racked up a huge number of class-chart points for their efforts and have also had the advantage of being part of a small group of readers to have a preview (and a good browse!) of new items that are added to stock!!



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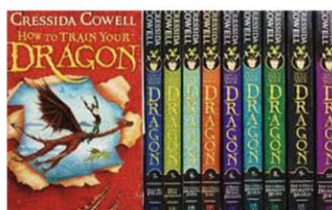


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### Book Donations

Heartfelt thanks go out to the following library benefactors:

Mrs. Cronin for donating a really beautiful set of books about the Beatles, arguably one of the most influential bands of all time! The books are shelved in the music and biography sections of the library.



Ms. Medina for kindly gifting the complete set of Cressida Cowell's How to Train Your Dragon series to the library, as well as award - winning books by Lauren St John, Kiran Milwood Hargrave and Anthony Horowitz.

Cressida Cowell held the position of Children's Laureate from 2019 to early 2022 – to find out more about her click [here](#)



Several general knowledge, fact and information books were donated to the library by Year 7 student Caleb's mum. Thank you very much!



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### *Special Mention*

#### **To Marc (year 7)**

You have been a fantastic help – looking after the library, taking on library assistant duties and still finding the time to look for words on Word Search Wednesdays – 210 words found so far!

**Thank you and well done!!**



#### **LNS Library – Opening Times**

Mon 8:30am - 4:00pm

Tues 8:30am - 4:00pm

**(Reading only: lunchtime)**

Weds 8:30am - 4:00pm

Thurs 8:30am - 4:00pm

**(Reading only: lunchtime)**

Fri 8:30am - 4:00pm

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