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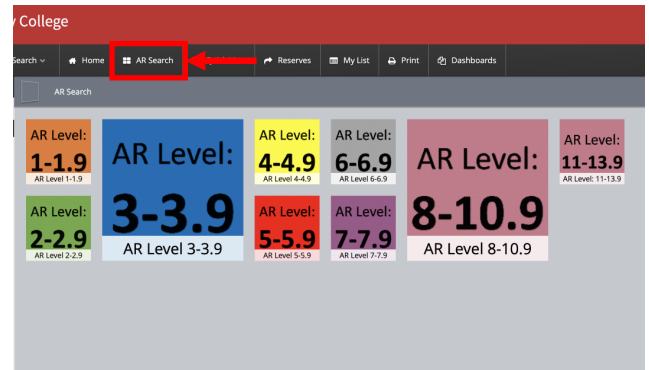
General News

We hope you are continuing to keep safe and that you are enjoying these newsletters. Do keep reading as many books as you possibly can and posting your reviews on the library catalogue. We want to see all your reviews, negative and positive! Please keep using our eBook and eAudiobook collection and remember that we are also offering a Click and Collect service.

Books in the catalogue can also be searched via AR level. The Visual Search has now been re-named to 'AR Search', which is now broken down by AR-level and then by genre, subjects or similar books (see image to the right). So give this a go if you're not sure what to read next!

A special thanks also goes to Liam from year 8 for suggesting the new name for our newsletter — *Ifield CC Times*. If you have any suggestions of articles or subjects that you would like to include in the newsletter, please email the school librarians.

We would love to include your ideas and writing.



LGBT+ History Month

LGBT+ history month takes place February every year in the UK.

Check out some recommended books on the library catalogue. We will also be updating this list throughout the month.

To find out more information, visit:

<https://lgbtplushistorymonth.co.uk/resources/lgbt-history-month/>

This link is also available via the library catalogue.

Writing Competition

We currently have a creative writing competition open to all students in years 7, 8, 9, 10 & 11.

For more details, please login to the library catalogue and access your year group's dashboard. Alternatively ask your English teacher or the school librarians to send you details.

The theme is 'life in lockdown' and the deadline is 26th February 2021.

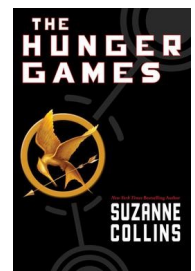
There will be one winner per year group!

Book Reviews

***The Hunger Games* by Suzanne Collins**

"This was a phenomenal read. Truly one of my favourite books I have ever read. The characters and storytelling was amazing. A great read for sure."

Jenson, Year 8



***Piecing Me Together* by Renee Watson**

"This is an amazing book and I recommend that you read it... The book raises topics of racial identity (both within and outside of the black community), history & politics and identity... This is a beautiful account, written in a fluid and thought provoking way. A must read!"

Mrs Mitchell, librarian

Exclusive Interview with Award Winning Author Cathy Cassidy



What's your favourite book of all time?

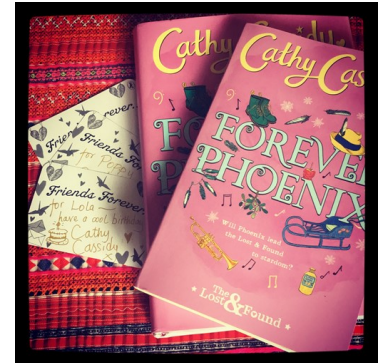
I have so, so many favourites but I'll pick *Watership Down* by Richard Adams because it was the first proper book I actually owned, a birthday prezzie when I was twelve. It's an amazing, dramatic story about a bunch of rabbits, but it had a picture of a rabbit's face on the cover and I was terrified my friends might think it was a book for little kids. (It SO isn't...) Even so, I sneaked it to school and was reading it in a quiet corner when the coolest boy in our year came up and demanded to know what it was. I'd no choice but to show him the embarrassing rabbit's-face cover, and he said, 'Watership Down is the best book I've ever read!' I made a new friend that day who loved books as much as I did, and I learned an important lesson too... reading is cool!

Who or what inspired you to write?

Ever since I can remember, I've loved creating characters and stories in my head, and writing them down was just the next step. Inspiration is everywhere, and I've yet to shake off that compulsion to invent stories! Once I realised you could actually make stories for a living, that became my dream.

If you couldn't be an author what would you be?

I've been a teen mag journalist, an agony aunt and an art teacher and would gladly do any of those things again. I've also been a waitress, and I dropped a lot of food on a lot of people, so... not that! If I had to pick something new I'd run an animal sanctuary or be a craft worker, maybe.



What are you reading at the moment?

A Traveller In Time by Alison Uttley... an old children's book recommended by a friend!

Are we allowed to know what your next book will be about?

Top secret, but just for you... a family who lose everything and go to live on a broken boat!

Find out more about Cathy at www.cathcassidy.co.uk

Libraries of the world



TIANYIGE LIBRARY, NINGBO CHINA

The library is the oldest private library still in existence in China. It was built during Emperor's Jiajing's reign in the Ming Dynasty (1561-1566 A.D.). It was formerly the private library of Fan Qin, a military minister. Fan Qin became a Jinshi scholar after the Imperial Examination at the age of 27. Later he served in many parts of the country, during which time he collected the books stored at Tianyige.

THE BIBLIOTECA DO CONVENTO DE MAFRA, MAFRA PORTUGAL

This library is 85 meters long and 9,5 meters wide, built in the form of a cross and paved with multi-coloured limestone floor and Rocaille shelves. The bookshelves contain more than 36,000 leather-bound volumes. Some rare works furnish its shelves to this day, including the Nuremberg Chronicle (1493), and other precious books such as the famous Nuremberg Chronicle and the first French encyclopaedia - known as Diderot et d'Alembert



What Libraries have you visited?

Are there any libraries that you have visited that have made a significant impression on you?

Please let us know with a short description and why it meant something to you, where it was and what you did on your visit so that we can include it in future issues.

Games, fun and puzzles...

(Solutions/answers will be in the next issue!)

Word Game

How many words can you make out of:

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Book Quiz

1) In the *His Dark Materials* series, by Philip Pullman, what is Lyra Belacqua's daemon called?

- a) Hester
- b) Pantalaimon
- c) Stelmaria

2) Who is the author of *The Art of Being Normal*?

- a) Lisa Heathfield
- b) Lisa Williamson
- c) Lisa Jackson

3) In *The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas* by John Boyne, what is the name of the main boy character?

- a) Bruno
- b) Shmuel
- c) Ralf

4) In *Diary of a Wimpy Kid* what is Rodrick's heavy metal band called?

- a) Anguish Sandwich
- b) Rodrick and the Dudes
- c) Loaded Diaper

Sudoku

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Star Wars Word Search

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STAR WARS
CHEWBACCA
JEDI
DARTH VADER
DROID
DEATH STAR
LUCAS
YODA
OBI-WAN
SKYWALKER
SITH
ANAKIN
HAN SOLO
WOOKIEE
FORCE
LUKE
KENOBI
EMPIRE
LEIA

We want to hear from you!

What do you want from your library? Got any ideas for what to include in the next issue of *Ifield CC Times Magazine*? Please get in touch either by email or fill in our Library Survey by going to **Dashboards >> Make a Suggestion** on the library catalogue.

Contact your school librarians Mrs Mitchell and Mr Austin Locke via email: emi@ifieldcc.co.uk & aal@ifieldcc.co.uk

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