



LA MARE DE CARTERET HIGH SCHOOL



LITERACY



NEWSLETTER



Welcome to this first edition of La Mare De Carteret's Literacy newsletter.

Each half term we will share with you some top tips for encouraging your child to read at home, some research into the benefits of reading as well as sharing with you some of our KS3 and KS4 reading lists.

In this edition, we will share with you:

1. Our first top tip for how to support your child with reading.
2. An outline of a benefit to reading.
3. KS3 suggested reading materials.
4. KS4 suggested reading materials.
5. Reading links.



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Our Top Tip:

Let your child feel in control of what they are reading.

An extract from: 'Having a choice and how it relates to Personal responsibility, achievement and effort' (National Literacy Trust, 2018).

It is widely accepted in educational circles that providing students with choice and control over their reading material enhances their involvement with and enjoyment of reading.

More generally, choice has been linked to increased educational outcomes, such as greater levels of intrinsic motivation, greater persistence, better performance, and higher satisfaction (e.g. Ryan and Deci, 2000).

Giving individuals control over aspects of their learning is also believed to lead to independent thinking, greater personal responsibility for the activity and feelings of autonomy (Guthrie and Davis, 2003).

Opportunities for students to select their own reading materials therefore promotes positive feelings about reading and improved achievement (Worthy and colleagues, 1998).



Don't fancy reading or want to give your eyes a rest?
Check out Sora!

Sora offers 1000s of ebooks and audiobooks and is free to access for our students using their logins.



Benefit of reading:

Reading expands your knowledge on the wider world.

“Reading is one of the primary ways to acquire knowledge. The knowledge you gain is cumulative and grows exponentially. When you have a strong knowledge base, it’s easier to learn new things and solve new problems. Reading a wide range of books will help expand your general knowledge. Specific knowledge can be acquired by taking a deep-dive on a subject or topic. Filling your mind with new facts, new information, and new ideas will make you a better conversationalist as you’ll always have something interesting to talk about.”

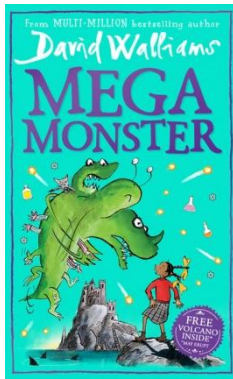
(JRELibrary, 2021)



Why not try our reading **BINGO** challenge to help expand knowledge.

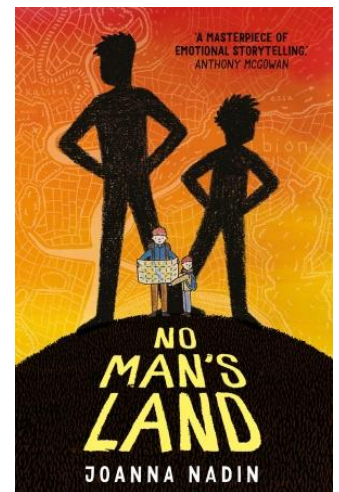
A non-fiction book based on a war.	A murder mystery book.	A dystopian novel.
A newspaper (tabloid or broadsheet).	An adventure based book.	A book set in a different country.
A graphic novel.	A horror book.	A tourist information leaflet.

KS3 reading list suggestions

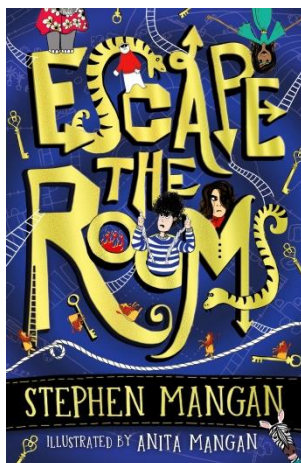


On a volcanic island, in the middle of shark-infested waters, stands The Cruel School. The lessons are appalling, the school dinners are revolting and the teachers are terrifying - especially the mysterious Science teacher Doctor Doktor.

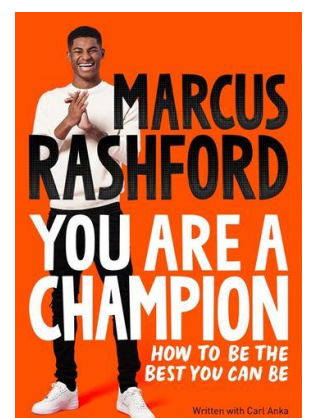
With far-right Albion on the brink of war with Europe, ten-year-old Alan and his little brother Sam are sent away to safety. Dad tells Alan he has to be brave, like the superheroes he loves, but Alan isn't too sure. He wants to be wherever Dad is - and anyway, can he really be sure who's a hero and who's a villain?



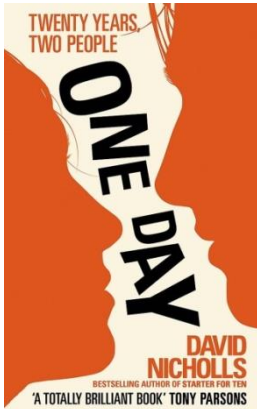
The last thing Jack expected when he **bungee-jumped** at the fairground was to go plummeting right through the ground into the **weird, wonderful Rooms...** There he must face a **series of puzzles and traps** alongside a mysterious girl called Cally, in order for them to **find their way home.**



Marcus Rashford MBE is famous worldwide for his skills both on and off the pitch - but before he was a Manchester United and England footballer, and long before he started his inspiring campaign to end child food poverty, he was just an average kid from Wythenshawe, South Manchester. Now the nation's favourite footballer wants to show **YOU** how to achieve your dreams, in this positive and inspiring guide for life.



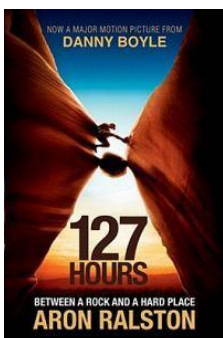
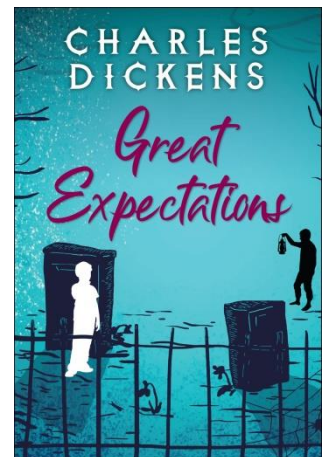
KS4 reading list suggestions



He is Dexter Mayhew, tall, dark, and (she can't deny it) handsome. She is Emma Morley, bottled red hair, willfully badly dressed, all principles and no action. Could this be the dawn of the rest of their lives? Or are Dex and Em living proof that - despite an unlikely beginning - men and women really can be just good friends?

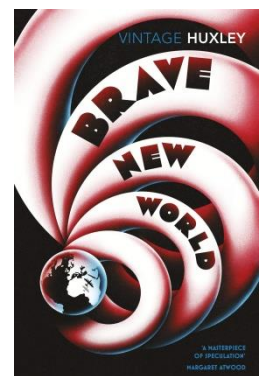
"Suffering has been stronger than all other teaching"

Pip, a blacksmith's apprentice in a country village, suddenly came into a large fortune (his great expectations) from a mysterious benefactor and moved to London where he entered high society. He thought he knew where the money had come from but he turned out to be sadly mistaken. The story also followed Pip's dealings with Estella, a young woman he adored but who cannot return his love.



127 Hours is the **true story of mountain climber Aron Ralston's remarkable adventure to save himself after a fallen boulder crashes on his arm and traps him in an isolated canyon in Utah.** ... Throughout his journey, Ralston recalls friends, lovers, family, and the two hikers he met before his accident.

"Largely set in a futuristic World State, inhabited by genetically modified citizens and an intelligence-based social hierarchy, the novel anticipates huge scientific advancements in reproductive technology, sleep-learning, psychological manipulation and classical conditioning that are combined to make a dystopian society which is challenged by only a single individual: the story's protagonist.



Reading links

Our school library is home to a range of fiction and non-fiction books. We also have access to 1000s of ebooks and audiobooks through Sora. Students can collect their Sora logins from Mrs Laine in the Library.

Couldn't find the book they were after? Students can fill out a suggestion slip and pop it into our suggestions box in the Library. Equally, they can leave a message on our Literacy Google Classroom page (kbdozov).

If students prefer to read books online, they can check out some of the links below:

Online resources to help you find the perfect read:

- ★ [Guille-Allès online resources](#)
- ★ [Guille-Allès ebooks](#)
- ★ [Oak National Academy Library](#)
- ★ [Audios](#)
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Mystery book

Not sure what book to read? Students can pick up one of Mrs Laine's mystery wrapped books! With only the theme to advise them, students could be reading anything from an old classic to a brand new release!

