

the BOOKMATK Secondary Library Newsletter

Librarian's Message: Welcome to the School Library!

It was a pleasure to welcome Year 7 students for Library orientation sessions over the past weeks. They will now use the facility independently at recess and lunch play and benefit from the many Library services which their Senior School and Sixth Form peers enjoy. The library, nested in the oldest part of the school, is a special and comforting place, which students cherish. As their Librarian, I feel privileged to cultivate their growth as readers and individuals through a series of Literacy initiatives and the exposure to a multicultural print and digital collection. Please continue to read for more information about our offerings this term.



WHAT'S NEW!

Book Trailer Tuesdays:

A book trailer is a promotional video that highlights the narrative arc of a book. The library is taking advantage of this innovative tool to bring some books from its collection to life and direct



students to a variety of authors and genres. The Library Book Trailer Tuesday flyer with links to 6 Book promotional videos will be shared weekly with students and teachers.

Our thanks go to Library volunteer Amelia Currie (Y10) for her assistance with this project.

Borrowing rules

- Senior School Students can borrow two books for a period of two weeks.
- Sixth Form Students can borrow a maximum of five books for a period of three weeks.
- Fiction books are the only materials available for renewal.
- Fines and Penalty: Fines are not charged for overdue books however replacement fees are charged for lost or damaged books.





🐻 Warwick Academy **BOOK TRAILER TUESDAY** 17/10/2023 CLICK ON THE TITLES OR SCAN THE QR CODE TO WATCH BOOK TRAILERS Concrete Rose AR BL: 3.4 andar and nicorn Thief 3 CONCRETE ROSE l am Number Four AR BL: 5.2 Everything Everything AR BI · 4.4 Ω⊡ UMAFI 回認 PITTACUS LORE This is My Brain THIS IS Two Degrees in Love TWD MY IN

Food for thought:

When OpenAI launched ChatGPT in November 2022 and that the Chatbot became quickly viral, many educational institutions around the world decided to ban the software

to prevent students from using it for cheating. Warwick Academy, in alignment with the IBO organization's approach, preferred to regard it as any other technological tool which could benefit students if used appropriately i.e., under the guidance of AI-trained teachers. The school AI Committee has assisted with this process by reviewing our existing Academic Integrity policy and deciding where and how

language about AI should be incorporated. **Please read the final draft of WA Academic Integrity policy here**. The Committee is now focusing on developing best AI practices in the classroom and on designing training for interested teachers.



Examples of how AI may assist students

are discussed in the following article: theconversation.com

Library Extra-Curricular Activities: Library Makerspace:

The Library Makerspace is open on Wednesdays, from 3:30-4:30pm, to Year 7-Year 13 students who wish to come together to create, explore and learn. A series of projects will be offered throughout the year and students are invited to sign up for each project individually.

Senior Chess Club:

Our well-established Senior Chess Club attracts boys and girls of all abilities who come to learn or perfect their Chess playing skills on Thursdays during Enrichment activities or Fridays during Lunch play.



Spotlight on:

Research for Sixth Formers: while research skills are developed throughout Senior school, students are given the opportunity to experiment with the production of college level research papers as they enter our Sixth Form. The Extended Essay, a 4000 words paper required at IB Diploma level, is particularly valued by universities as it equips students with a skill set which prepares them well for higher education.

As a Librarian, I support students from the time they start the research process by curating a rich collection of academic resources but also by offering referencing, research skill workshops and individual Extended Essay consultations.

Library resources for Sixth Formers can be found on Firefly under:

Resources > Curriculum > Library > Sixth Form Library



NOVEMBER: Year 12 Research skills DECEMBER: Speed Book Dating:

This reading incentive activity which uses the concept of "Speed dating" and "Musical chair" game rules is designed to expose students to a variety of genres and teaches them how to select books.