

READING MATTERS

"Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path".
(Psalm 119:105)

Summer 2022



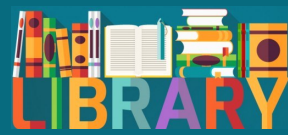
Welcome Parents/Carers,

It is surreal to think back to all the challenges and hurdles we faced during those hard Covid and early 'Post Covid' days and months. But the latter half of this school year has certainly given us hope for 'normal' and we have been thrilled to get back on track doing what we know and love in school. This has included being able to provide extensive and varied opportunities for our students to develop their reading skills and celebrate their joy of reading. Activities have included students in Years 7-10 exploring a range of Gothic literature during their ILT sessions, Accelerated Reader sessions in the Library for Years 7 and 8 and the celebration of World Book Day across the school.

We look forward to welcoming all our new students joining us in September and wish you all a very enjoyable summer.

Lathall

Mrs Lathall Reading Co-ordinator



All library books need to be returned for our library audit by

Friday 15th July. Please could you encourage your son/daughter to ensure their books are returned.

BOOKBUZZ

Bookbuzz is a reading programme from BookTrust that aims to help schools inspire a love of reading in 11 to 13-year-olds.



As a school, we have purchased every student in Year 7 a copy of the book *The Haunting of Aveline Jones* by Phil Hickeys.

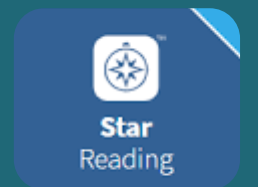
'Aveline Jones loves reading ghost stories, so a dreary half-term becomes much more exciting when she discovers a spooky old book. Not only are the stories spine-tingling, but it once belonged to Primrose Penberthy, who vanished mysteriously, never to be seen again. Intrigued, Aveline decides to investigate Primrose's disappearance'.

We hope our students enjoy reading this spooky tale!

Final STAR Reading Tests

Pupils in Years 7 and 8 will complete their final STAR reading test this half term.

Pupils will write their new reading age and ZPD in their planners.



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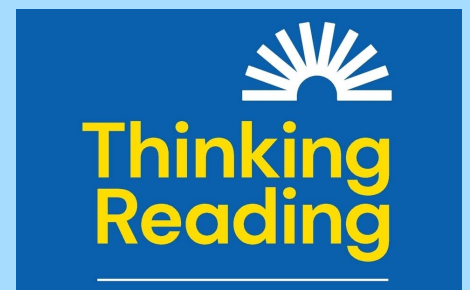
Thinking Reading

Reading opens the door to learning and to the world. It is easy to forget that what may seem to us an apparently effortless task can be extremely effortful for some children. Reading is an entitlement of every child as it gives them a tool that they can apply independently at any time, and for a myriad of purposes. Therefore, if they are ill-equipped to read, they are lacking this essential tool whose use is required at almost every juncture of an ordinary day.

As a school, we are focused on improving students' reading to enhance their progress across the curriculum. We also want to ensure our students have the opportunity to explore a range of different texts and foster a love of reading. To support us in our mission, we have partnered with Thinking Reading. Thinking Reading is a whole-school strategy with an intensive, one-to-one intervention at its heart.

Staff have already been involved in Thinking Reading training to support pupils who are struggling with their reading to catch up quickly and completely. A designated Thinking Reading hub has been created and we have already begun working with some of our students.

This is an exciting new intervention that will help us to ensure that students leave our school able to read confidently.



Millionaire Readers

There has been lots of wonderful reading taking place in school. Below are those students who have managed to read over a million words! Well done!

Year 7

Jetsy K 8,178,117

Amelia G 4,089,770

Lena K 1,943,307

Kira T 1,650,511

Ashton W 1,629,625

Kacie S 1,188,714

Tosia N 1,099,626

Victoria W 1,036,934

Alexandra C 1,023,367

Sahara F 1,010,834

Year 8

Lily K 2,919,244

Lola F 2,431,141

Joshua J 1,521,104

Hazera H 1,207,455

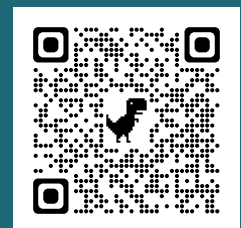
Oliwia R 1,032,842



Staying connected through our love of books!



Our school Instagram page enables us to share our love of all things book related. Many thanks to everyone who has liked or commented on a post. Scan the QR code below to follow us at: **allsaintsreading**



I'd love to hear your book recommendations. Please email me at Lathall.l@allsaints.notts.sch.uk with your top reads!

You can also send me any reading related news that you'd like me to share. I look forward to hearing from you.

Lathall

Mrs Lathall

