

Library News

Another brilliantly busy week in the library – it’s great to see some students now using it before school. This can be a lovely calm way to start the day for some. Books, magazines and mindful colouring activities are available ahead of the day’s lessons.

Year 7 have now all had their induction to the library and this has clearly fuelled the drive for some to make use of it. If any students need a bit of support selecting a book, please tell them to come and see me – I often tell students that aren’t so keen on reading that it’s likely they just haven’t found the right book yet!



With the library getting busier at lunchtime, there is a change to the scheduling in terms of available activities. We will continue with ‘Chill and Chat’ on Monday and Friday as this allows an opportunity for students to feel they have an alternative place to come along and meet/ chat to others. However, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday will now alter slightly. It is wonderful to see the range of activities being used, however a number of students who wish to read quietly in the library are finding there isn’t the space as those playing board games are on several tables. So, Wednesday will be a reading/ homework day where students can relax and enjoy the books or complete homework quietly. So, whilst we are ‘never overbooked’, we need to use the space to cater for all students!

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Chill and Chat – board games available.	Reading, alongside mindfulness activities/ homework & revision and quiet board games	Reading, homework & revision, with mindfulness activities also available. Board games unavailable	Reading, alongside mindfulness activities/ homework & revision and quiet board games	Chill and Chat – board games available.

A quick reminder about opening times:

- Before school from 8.30 am
- During breaktime and lunchtime
- After school until 3.30 pm
- Year 7 and 8 Book groups runs on a Wednesday until 4.00pm
- Games club runs on a Friday until 4.30 pm

Book Club

Calling Year 7 and 8 students! Come along and join in with the **CPS Book Club**.

Creative and reading based activities, quizzes and chats about our favourite and recommended books.

Wednesday 3-4pm in the Library

I’m really looking forward to meeting lots more year 7 and 8 students at the CPS Book Club which is held after school on Wednesdays 3-4pm. It’s an ideal way for students to get involved in reading-based activities and quizzes, get creative and share their enjoyment of books and reading. There may even be a biscuit or two thrown in as well!



Book Amnesty

As you will have already seen last week and on social media, the book amnesty continues. Last week I had a book in the Returns Cupboard that was 279 days overdue – but it was back and that’s what counts! Remember, there are no questions asked or moans directed at students as I’m simply pleased they are brought back and can be used again by other students. They can easily be put into the Book Returns Cupboard by the library door.

National Poetry Day



Next week we will be marking this in the Library with poetry-based activities on Thursday 6th October. This year the theme is ‘The Environment’ and we will look at how that can be blended into poetry. I look forward to our students feeling inspired to join in and contribute their own poetry to those on display. There will be the opportunity to participate in a poetry competition too. Further details will feature in the Library News next week.