

**JANUARY 2021**

# LRC NEWS



**WORTHING HIGH SCHOOL**  
Learning Resource Centre

A large graphic for 'Happy New Year' is set against a dark blue background. The words 'Happy New Year' are written in a large, white, stylized font. 'Happy' is in a bold, sans-serif font, while 'New Year' is in a more flowing, script-like font. To the right of the text, there are several bright, golden-yellow fireworks exploding, with long, thin streaks of light trailing off. The overall effect is festive and celebratory.

# HAPPY New Year

COMMUNITY - RESILIENCE - INTEGRITY - RESPECT - EXCELLENCE

## Top 20 Reads of 2020

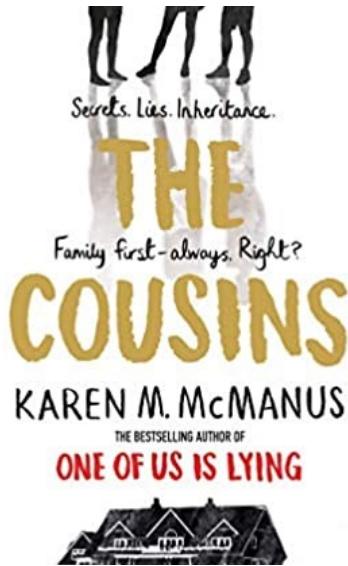
1. **Ways To Live Forever – Sally Nicholls**
2. **Say Her Name – Juno Dawson**
3. **S.T.A.G.S – M A Bennett**
4. **Wonder – R J Palaccio**
5. **War Horse – Michael Morpurgo**
6. **Seven Letter Word – Kim Slater**
7. **Once - Morris Gleitzman**
8. **The Set-Up – Sophie McKenzie**
9. **Maze Runner – James Dashner**
10. **The Novice – Taran Matharu**

## Top 20 Reads of 2020

'Bedwettingly scary, with pitch-perfect writing' METRO

11. **Diary Of A Wimpy Kid – Jeff Kinney**
12. **River of Ink – Helen Dennis**
13. **Extinction Trials – Susan Wilson**
14. **Girl Missing – Sophie McKenzie**
15. **Northern Lights – Philip Pullman**
16. **Life on the Refrigerator Door – Alice Kuipers**
17. **Tom Gates – Liz Pichon**
18. **Angel Experiment – James Patterson**
19. **The Hunger Games – Suzanne Collins**
20. **Secret Fire – C J Daugherty**

# Mrs Langley's Book of the Month



The Stories are the envy of their neighbours: owners of the largest property on their East Coast island, they are rich, beautiful, and close. Until it all falls apart. The four children are suddenly dropped by their mother with a single sentence:

*You know what you did.*

They never hear from her again.

Years later, when 18-year-old cousins Aubrey, Milly and Jonah Story receive a mysterious invitation to spend the summer at their grandmother's resort, they have no choice but to follow their curiosity and meet the woman who's been such an enigma their entire lives.

*This entire family is built on secrets, right? It's the Story legacy.*

This summer, the teenagers are determined to discover the truth at the heart of their family. But some secrets are better left alone.



# Christmas Competition Winners

## Students



**Selena Swift**



**Runners Up:**

**Seth Mason**

**Iris Malyon Vazquez**



## Staff



**Miss Davies**

**Runners Up:**

**Mr Ransley**

**Mr Martin**

**Miss Taylor**

**Miss La**

**Miss Miah**

# Literacy Programme

*"We read books to find out who we are. What other people, real or imaginary, do and think and feel is an essential guide to our understanding of what we ourselves are and may become" – Ursula K. Le Guin*

Reading is at the forefront of our curriculum. Reading aloud exposes our students to a myriad of words and phrases, which are not found in every day discourse. The social experience of reading together builds our school's sense of community even further.

As you may know, we began our Tutor Time Reading Programme in September 2020. This programme consists of three teacher-led reading sessions a week and a reflection session once a fortnight. This is where our students can use this safe space to discuss any topics and issues that arise from the reading. We believe that this whole school approach has the potential to give our students a taste of what it is like to be fully immersed in a book and explore a range of global issues, thus promoting curiosity, resilience and a love of reading for all.

**Maria Beckford**  
Literacy Co-ordinator

*A full list of all the books can be found on the Worthing High Website (under Teaching and Learning) or on the Library System (under quick lists). As below.*

The screenshot displays the Worthing High School Library System interface. At the top, there is a blue header with the school logo and name, and a user profile icon labeled 'student'. Below the header is a navigation bar with options: Search, Home, Search by Book Level, Quick Lists, Reserves, My List, Print, and Dashboards. The main area shows a grid of book covers, including titles like 'The Literacy Programme', 'Tutor Time List of Texts', 'Auggie & Me', 'Boys Don't Cry', 'The boy who steals houses', 'Children of Blood and Ashes', 'The Curious Incident of the Haddock', 'The goldfish boy', 'Noah Can't Even', 'Paper Butterflies', 'Pig Heart Boy', and 'Small Steps'. Each book cover includes the title, author, and a small icon indicating its category or level. On the left side, there is a sidebar with filters for 'Filter results by Media', 'Type', 'Genre', and 'Series'. The 'Media' filter shows 12 results, 'Type' shows 5, 'Genre' shows 1, and 'Series' shows 1. The 'Remove filter' button is at the bottom of the sidebar.

# Web App

## Online Library System

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## From a Computer

Link: <https://uk.accessit.online/wrt01/#!landingPage>

## New Additions

*HPA reading list (Academic Literature) and*

*Literacy Programme Texts*

can now be found under Quick Lists

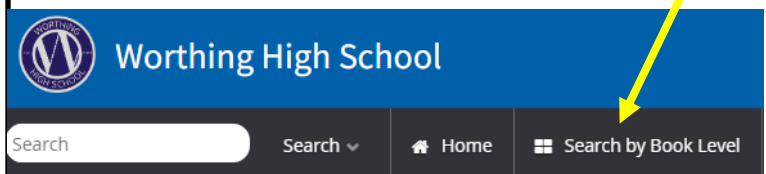
## *Staff/Parent Library*

More additions added, these can also be found under quick lists.

Parents/Carers we would love you to join our library. Just login as a parent and instructions are on the home page.

## *Students*

Not sure what to read - why not try searching via book level



You can then go further by picking the genre you are interested in. All books displayed will be in your reading level



# Brain squeezers

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Pirates live here

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Pirates sail these...

Once  
**12.30**

JANOB

Give x4  
Get x4

GET  
IT

stand  
i

U  
BC

Hydrogen  
Helium  
Lithium  
Beryllium  
Boron



U  
CAN  
12345  
ME

Once & all x4

Good Nil  
Nil Nil  
Nil Nil

Green NV

2's Ltd 3's Mob

Blonde ☐

1. Head
2. Middle
3. Feet

Λ U U - D E Z T

SOS.

Must get here  
Must get here  
Must get here

Touch & Move On



# michael morpurgo

## Celebrate Michael Morpurgo Month 2021!

*Come on an adventure with the nation's favourite storyteller and celebrate Michael Morpurgo Month this February!*

*This year we have the Morpurgo Month Bookclub, which is aimed at older (8-12) children, and we are hoping that children and schools choose one of the 6 shortlisted books, read it, talk about it and review it just like a normal bookclub... and when you send in your review, you could win a Michael Morpurgo Virtual Event for your school!*

*We also have 'Storytime' for younger readers, with the chance of winning a bundle of books!*

*Use the form below to sign up!*

<https://www.michaelmorpurgo.com/morpurgomonth/>

*War Horse is one of  
the 13 by 13 Reads -  
send in your review!*

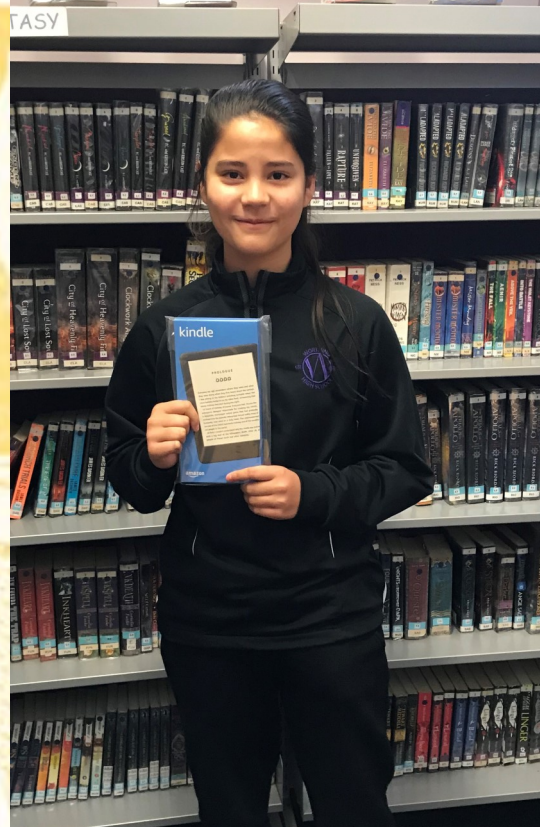


Come on an adventure with  
the nation's favourite storyteller



# Accelerated Reader Achievements

Maia Moe Myint



AR Gold Award —5 Million Words Read



Iris Malyon Vazquez

# Keep Reading!!

*“Mike Teavee...”*

*(from Charlie and the Chocolate Factory)*

“The most important thing we’ve learned,  
So far as children are concerned,  
Is never, NEVER, NEVER let  
Them near your television set—  
Or better still, just don’t install  
The idiotic thing at all.  
In almost every house we’ve been,  
We’ve watched them gaping at the screen.  
They loll and slop and lounge about,  
And stare until their eyes pop out.  
(Last week in someone’s place we saw  
A dozen eyeballs on the floor.)  
They sit and stare and stare and sit  
Until they’re hypnotised by it,  
Until they’re absolutely drunk  
With all the shocking ghastly junk.  
Oh yes, we know it keeps them still,  
They don’t climb out the window sill,  
They never fight or kick or punch,  
They leave you free to cook the lunch  
And wash the dishes in the sink—  
But did you ever stop to think,  
To wonder just exactly what  
This does to your beloved tot?  
IT ROTTS THE SENSES IN THE HEAD!  
IT KILLS IMAGINATION DEAD!  
IT CLOGS AND CLUTTERS UP THE MIND!  
IT MAKES A CHILD SO DULL AND BLIND  
HE CAN NO LONGER UNDERSTAND  
A FANTASY, A FAIRYLAND!  
HIS BRAIN BECOMES AS SOFT AS CHEESE!  
HIS POWERS OF THINKING RUST AND FREEZE!  
HE CANNOT THINK—HE ONLY SEES!  
‘All right!’ you’ll cry. ‘All right!’ you’ll say,  
‘But *if* we take the set away,  
What shall we do to entertain  
Our darling children? Please explain!’  
We’ll answer this by asking you,  
‘What *used* the darling ones to do?  
‘How *used* they keep themselves contented  
Before this monster was invented?’  
Have you forgotten? Don’t you know?  
We’ll say it very loud and slow:  
**THEY...USED...TO...READ! They’d READ and READ,  
AND READ and READ, and then proceed  
To READ some more.** Great Scott! Gadzooks!

One half their lives was reading books!  
The nursery shelves held books galore!  
Books cluttered up the nursery floor!  
And in the bedroom, by the bed,  
More books were waiting to be read!  
Such wondrous, fine, fantastic takes  
Of dragons, gypsies, queens, and whales  
And treasure isles, and distant shores  
Where smugglers rowed with muffled oars,  
And pirates wearing purple pants,  
And sailing ships and elephants,  
And cannibals crouching ’round the pot,  
Stirring away at something hot.  
(It smells so good, what can it be?  
Good gracious, it’s Penelope.)  
The younger ones had Beatrix Potter  
With Mr. Tod, the dirty rotter,  
And Squirrel Nutkin, Pigling Bland,  
And Mrs. Tiggy-Winkle and—  
Just How The Camel Got His Hump,  
And How The Monkey Lost His Rump,  
And Mr. Toad, and bless my soul,  
There’s Mr. Rat and Mr. Mole—  
Oh, books, what books they used to know,  
Those children living long ago!  
So please, oh *please*, we beg, we pray,  
Go throw your TV set away,  
And in its place you can install  
A lovely bookshelf on the wall.  
Then fill the shelves with lots of books,  
Ignoring all the dirty looks,  
The screams and yells, the bites and kicks,  
And children hitting you with sticks—  
Fear not, because we promise you  
That, in about a week or two  
Of having nothing else to do,  
They’ll now begin to feel the need  
Of having something good to read.  
And once they start—oh boy, oh boy!  
You watch the slowly growing joy  
That fills their hears. They’ll grow so keen  
They’ll wonder what they’d ever seen  
In that ridiculous machine,  
That nauseating, foul, unclean,  
Repulsive television screen!  
And later, each and every kid  
Will love you more for what you did.  
P.S. Regarding Mike Teavee,  
We very much regret that we  
Shall simply have to wait and see  
If we can get him back his height.  
But if we can’t—it serves him right.”



# Free E-Books

**Amazon Kindle** - You don't have to own an e-reader to read Kindle books. You can read on a computer or download the app on your phone.

Here is the link to free Amazon books.

[https://www.amazon.co.uk/s?i=digital-text&rh=n%3A21173577031&fs=true&qid=1609928580&ref=sr\\_pg\\_1](https://www.amazon.co.uk/s?i=digital-text&rh=n%3A21173577031&fs=true&qid=1609928580&ref=sr_pg_1)

They are mostly classics but there are some lovely reads on there, such as: Alice in Wonderland, Jungle Book, Black Beauty and Wind in the Willows. Some of you may wish to challenge yourselves to some of the other reads.



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If you are under 14 you will need to get your parent to set up an account for you

Details of how to access the books are here: <https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/libraries/elibrary-electronic-library/borrow-ebooks/>



# Top AR Awards – Year 7/8



URBACZ, Tyler

**Gold**  
**5,000,000**

*Kindle E-Reader or Fire*

SWIFT, Selena  
MOE MYINT, Maia  
SUSS, Samuel  
HITCHCOCK, Daniel  
OWEN, James  
LOCK, Abi  
MALYON VAZQUEZ, Iris

**Silver**  
**2,500,000**

VALANTIN, Thomas  
PITCHER, Simeon  
HILL, Oliver  
CHARLES, Evelyn  
MESSINGHAM, Ralph  
HOLMES, Henry  
JONES, Ella  
LE GAC, Olivier  
PHAROAH, Edith  
MESSINGHAM, Oscar

# Word Millionaires Year 7/8

WHITE, Natalie  
JACKSON, Tia  
FALLON, Rory  
BRENNAND, Rory  
VASSILIOU, Zach  
MILES, Jamie  
AMARASINGHE, Sudhish  
VASSILIOU, Sam  
REID, Sydney  
BRACEY, Sylvie  
KNIGHT, Maisie  
KELLY, Mimi  
LEWIS, Charlie  
BULLOCK, Henry  
LOXHAM, Thea  
COX, Daniel  
TAYLOR, Toby  
WOODWARD, Zachary  
MILLER, Daniel  
USHER, Mina

OAKTON, Lewis  
MASON, Seth  
WATKINS, Owen  
DRAKE-JULNES, Murphy  
CARTER, Olivia  
JOHNSON, Sophie  
HEWITT, Isaac  
HUFFORD, Edward  
KINGSHOTT, Alexander  
GILHAM, Cameron  
KROHNE, Isobel  
LUDLOW, Samuel  
MARSHALL, Libby  
KERSEY, Darcey  
GETGOOD, Ella  
MANGA, Gloria  
MCDOWELL, Calum  
HERON, Katlyn  
MEARS, Megan

JOHNSON, Archie  
HOLLAND, George  
NENKOV, Georgi  
LANGMAID, George  
WILLIAMS, Oscar  
BILLETT, James  
STACEY, Porshia  
OVERTON, Daniel  
CARROLL-SMITH, Beck  
HARRISON, Cameron  
DOYLE, Katie  
HORSECROFT, Amelia  
LEWIS, Bryce  
KOVACS, Mia  
MCKENNA, Kai  
KEANE, Ryan  
NOVIS, Daniel  
GANNAWAY, Thomas  
HARPER-BAILEY, Millie  
BABLI-JONES, Jasmine  
RILEY-WATSON, Elspeth  
Chacksfield, Kitty

JITEA, Eva  
PERRETT, Rosie  
SOPP, Jevan  
BARKER, George  
DEARING, Toby  
USHER, Mikkell  
VERNON-LEHANE, Finn  
GRAHAM, Cameron  
DAND, Dexter  
RYE ASAIPIILLAI, Zara  
OSMOND, Oliver  
WOODWARD, Harry  
DONELAN-BELL, Max  
KAVALIAUSKAS, Daniel  
THORLEY, Isaac  
BRADLEY, Miles  
DUNHILL, Belle  
PEACE, Callum  
CATCHPOLE, Toby  
KEEVIL, Dudley  
ANDERSON, James  
LEGGETT, Daniel  
GUTIERREZ, Jay

## AR Awards – Year 7/8

*Top points scored in December are:*

<b>Maia Moe Myint</b>	<b>461.2</b>
<b>Reuben Lloyd</b>	<b>100.7</b>
<b>Kitty Chacksfield</b>	<b>100.3</b>
<b>Iris Malyon Vazquez</b>	<b>88.3</b>
<b>Katie Doyle</b>	<b>66.4</b>
<b>Archie Johnson</b>	<b>65.9</b>
<b>Edith Pharoah</b>	<b>64.6</b>
<b>Simeon Pitcher</b>	<b>58.5</b>
<b>James Anderson</b>	<b>56.1</b>
<b>Jack Hallard</b>	<b>54.6</b>

**Lucky Dip**  
**100% quiz winner**  
**Tia Jackson**

Prizes for everyone



# Book Review

This is a fantastic book. Greere Macdonald is invited to a once in a life time party. Three blood sports fishin' shootin' huntin', will she be able to do all of them without being hurt. This is a book jam packed with adventure.

This would be a great book for people who love adventure and mystery.

Katniss has been chosen to go into the arena again! Will she come out. This time the victors have to go into the area, two victors from every district, who will she be fighting? Enemies or friends.



**By Seth Mason**



Fantastic book with lots of twists. You don't know what will happen next. I couldn't put it down. I really liked it

Action packed and easy to read



**By Simeon Pitcher**



A boy has washed up on a shoreline not knowing what to do nor remembering his name. But enemies are out to get him and new friends made.

The book has twists and turns all over the place!

**By Daniel Miller**





# Useful Information

## Learning Resource Centre Information Sheet

**Opening Times 8.00 - 5.00pm**

Closed at present due to lockdown.

However we will pick up your emails at:

LRC@worthinghigh.net



### Quizzing

Link: <https://ukhosted5.renlearn.co.uk/2249035/default.aspx>

### What Reading Level is my book?

Look it up on AR Bookfinder

<https://www.arbookfind.co.uk/UserType.aspx?RedirectURL=%2fdefault.aspx>

### The link to parent login

<https://ukhosted5.renlearn.co.uk/2249035/HomeConnect/>

### What is my username/password?

This should be written on page 13 (white sheets) of your planner. It is the same login for Accelerated Reader and Home Connect.



*Return your books to the Big Book Bins in the LRC or just outside Student Services*

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### How do I request/renew a book?

Email: LRC@Worthinghigh.net

*This service is unavailable during lockdown but we are happy to recommend reads*