

Hello, and welcome back to a new school year, I'm Mrs Toop and I am the school librarian.

With the LRC closed to students, the first half of the Autumn Term has been the ideal opportunity to have a sort out.

All of the Fiction books are now shelved by Genre and the Non-Fiction section by the Dewey Decimal System.



And I have been working my way through your Wish List of books and placing lots of orders.







Please keep an eye on your emails for more new books as they arrive

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The Year 8, Reading Group is proving very popular with 10 girls attending every week. This half Term we have been reading; I, Coriander.

Set in London, during the English Civil war this book is a fantastic blend of history, mystery and the magic of fairytales.



With Black History Month drawing to a close I will be starting to distribute the reserved books. Please be patient as there have been a lot of reservations and I will be issuing the books in the order that they were reserved.



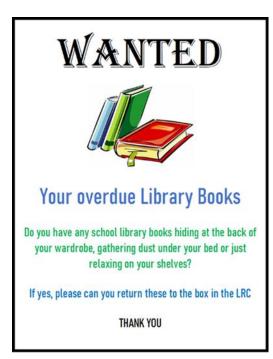
During the month I have been running pop up stands around the school for different year groups, promoting the books we have available by Black British Female Authors. Do not worry if you missed your year group pop up, I have also been sending emails and Tweets and all the books are available to view and reserve on the Reading Cloud.





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Although the LRC is not open for students to come in and browse, books can still be returned in the boxes located by the Crescent Road and DK Entrances and the box outside of the LRC doors.

Having completed a full stock take on the LRC over the summer holidays we are missing a lot of books, so please do check at home and return them to one of the boxes.

Thank you to everyone who has already returned books, but there is still a long way to go. We currently have 500 overdue books, the longest one was borrowed over 4 years ago.

If you think that you have lost any of the books, please let me know and I will remove them from our system.

After a slow start we are starting to see an increase in the number of students borrowing books from the LRC.

Book Loans by Year Group

Year Group: 7	16
Year Group: 8	16
Year Group: 9	8
Year Group: 10	1
Year Group: 11	6
Year Group: 12	8
Year Group: 13	
Total books borrowed:	55

- The most popular author is: Rick Riordon
- Borrowing 6 books each our top borrowers are; Amy 7B, Noelie 9U
- 7BERN borrowed the most books

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me at: <u>GemmaToop@Ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk</u>

"Books are a uniquely portable magic." – Stephen King