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What's New in the Library?

Over the winter term, the library has gained a selection of lovely new books for you to coze up with! Do you like to read books with amazing illustrations, like Women in Science by Rachel Ignotofsky? Or is your preference is adventures you have to imagine in your mind's eye, like Philip

Pullman's Book of Dust? We really do have something for everybody, so come and ask!

It's been a very busy term at SNS - hopefully the school year has started well for all students, but January is a new chance at a fresh start. Whatever your resolution - school revision, personal projects or enjoyment - the SNS library is here to help.



"That's the thing about books. They let you

TRAVEL

without moving your feet."

— Jhumpa Lahiri

Holiday Reading

Any students borrowing a book now will have until **January** to read them. You can borrow up to three books at a time from the SNS library, as well as up to twelve from your local Hackney library, so you can easily get a whole series or try lots of different things and lose yourself in a book over the break.

Whatever holidays and festivals you will be celebrating over the break, make sure that you stay occupied with reading!



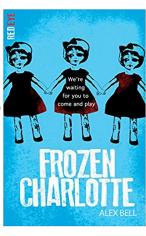




Student Reading

Sophie comes what used to be Dunvegan School for Girls to spend the summer with her cousins. Brooding Cameron with his scarred hand, Lilias with his strange fear, and Piper, who seems just too sweet to be true. And then there's her other cousin. The girl with a room full of antique dolls. The girl that shouldn't be there.

The girl that died...

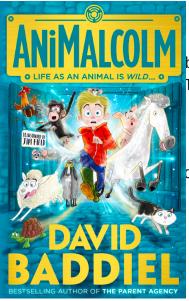




Raina just wants to be a normal sixth grader. But one night after Girl Scouts she trips and falls, severely injuring her two front teeth. What follows is a long and frustrating journey with onagain, off-again braces, surgery, embarrassing headgear, and even a retainer with fake teeth attached. And on top of all that, there's still more to deal with: a major earthquake, boy confusion, and friends who turn out to be not so friendly.

These books are the most popular books from the SNS library this term. Come check one out!

Lollies Comedy Book Awards!



The SNS winner was **Animalcolm by** Jim Field.

The Laugh Out Loud Book Award known more commonly as the Lollies - are an award especially for comedy books. A group of SNS year 7s looked at the whole shortlist - four books! - and voted for their favourite. The students found them all hilarious so the debate was very lively.

The shortlisted books are all very different - from quick, comical poems in I Don't Like Poetry by Joshua Seigal to difficult issues made accessible through humour in The Best Medicine by Christine Hamill through to the story of a fantastical hero in My Gym Teacher is an Alien Overlord by David Solomons and Laura Ellen Anderson and an ordinary boy transformed David Baddiel and in AniMalcolm by David Baddiel and Jim Field. All will make you LOL!

Are you ready to receive a book as a seasonal gift? Year 7 at Stoke Newington School don't have to wait for the holidays to get their presents, as the school library have partnered with charity Booktrust to ensure every SNS student gets a book of their own.

Way back in September students chose the book they wanted from a selection, and they will be presented with them before leaving for the holidays - a perfect gift for the winter!

If you want to borrow any of the twelve shortlisted books, they are all in the library.



Book Fair - Student Takeover!

The winter Book Fair, held in the library, was a huge success! Students browsed for books, posters and stationery and spent over £500! This means we got over £50 of books for the school, so come and check those new books out.

There was also a Book Fair competition, and students guessed which characters some of our Book Fair helpers were dressed as. Congratulations to Bartoz 9H, Shona 8T, Cora 9G, Jaziah 7T and the Y8 boys team on naming all the characters correctly and winning Book Fair vouchers.



Book Fair - Student Takeover!



Thank you to all our Book
Fair volunteers and
Library Assistants who
made the book fair
possible and kept the
library open whilst it was
on. Their amazing hard
work made the Book Fair
possible, so well done to
all our customer service
assistants, accountants,
managers and marketing
team members!

Remember to volunteer when the Book Fair comes again so that you can be part of the team.

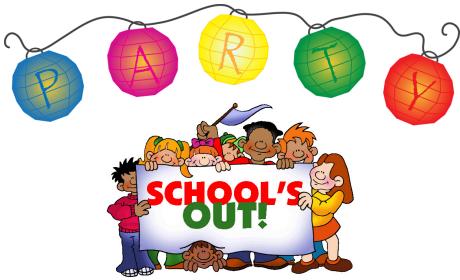
Takeover day



Thank-you to Frida in 71 and Jackson in 8W for helping in the library during takeover day! They say "it's enjoyable!" so sign up next year.

Student Librarian Party

To thank the Student Librarians, there was a party in the Performing Arts Studio with lots of snacks, Christmas songs and party games. There were prizes for the Student Librarians who had worked the most minutes and chocolate to be won in the games. Congratulations to all those students, and see you all next term!



It's not too late to become a Student Librarian - join today!

Excelsior Award Shadowing

The Excelsior is a prize for comics and graphic novels. Here at SNS we will be shadowing the award - ordering all of the books and encouraging students to read as many as possible. There are 8 books nominated - could you read them all?















Come to the library to reserve them!

Reading Club

Reading Club have been exploring films based on books this term. They have watched Murder on the Orient Express, based on Agatha Christie's famous crime novel, and The Perks of Being a Wallflower, based on Stephen Chbosky's dramatic coming-of-age novel. Not only is this a lovely way to spend a Wednesday afternoon it shows how different people interpret books and allows us to discuss how we interpreted them.



Come along to Reading Club on Wednesdays after school!

Top Borrowers of 2017/18... so far!

Aisha 70

Danni-Mai 7H

Miles 7K

Mia 7H

Evan 7W

Naseerah 7N

Romoni 8K

Zamzam 7G

Eren 7H

Eckincan 71

Destina 7K





Well done to these hardworking students!