

LIBRARY & ACCELERATED READER



Bookbuzz 2022 - We have once again signed up for the exciting Bookbuzz scheme for our new Y7 students starting in September AND this year we will include our Y8 students, too! **EVERY student in Y7 & Y8** will select their own **FREE** book from a recommended list and there will be a reading lesson with activities to help students choose. Check out the titles available and find more details, fun and competitions at <http://www.bookbuzz.org.uk/>

Essex Year of Reading - All students currently in Y7 will be issued with their very own library card and bookmark which has a unique barcode. They just need to take the card along to any Essex public library to register it in their name and they can start choosing books, accessing homework help, using free computers, joining in with out of school activities and much more.

PARENTS/CARERS can download the free app to discover further online reading materials, fun activities and competitions for children and families to take part in. Visit www.essexyearofreading.co.uk for more information.



Essex Summer Reading Challenge - All students can take part in this national initiative which encourages children to read books throughout the summer holidays. With medals, stickers and certificates to earn along the way. The challenge runs from Saturday 16 July to Saturday 3rd September in all Essex libraries and mobile libraries.

Children are asked to read six books to help the Gadgeteers and, at the same time, they can discover the amazing science and innovation that lies behind the world around them. After reading their books they earn their Gadgeteers certificate and medal. Children can read any library book of their choice - fiction, non-fiction or picture books, e-books or e-audio - which they can share with parents and carers – they all count. The under threes haven't been forgotten either - there will be a special version of Gadgeteers just for them. The Summer Reading Challenge is delivered by libraries and produced by The Reading Agency. It is open to all children, free of charge. For more information about this year's **Summer Reading Challenge** online at:

<https://libraries.essex.gov.uk/news/join-the-gadgeteers-this-summer/>



Accelerated Reader - Well done to all the AR students who have achieved all three of their term targets at the end of this academic year - achievement points have also been awarded every week for successful AR quizzers. ALL WORDS read by every student taking part in the scheme will be counted at the end of term and our much coveted, exclusive bronze, silver and gold WORD MILLIONAIRE badges will be given out at the start of term in September. Congratulations to those in advance!

Please note: All borrowed library items need to be returned to the library by Friday 15th July. There are still many books on loan to our students and there are not enough funds to replace them! Please take time to help find and return these—hundreds of pounds worth of books are to be found in students' bedrooms, bags, homes! Reminders are sent to students via their school email and their tutors. The replacement cost for books not returned will appear as a charge on Parentpay.

Have a lovely summer break and KEEP reading!