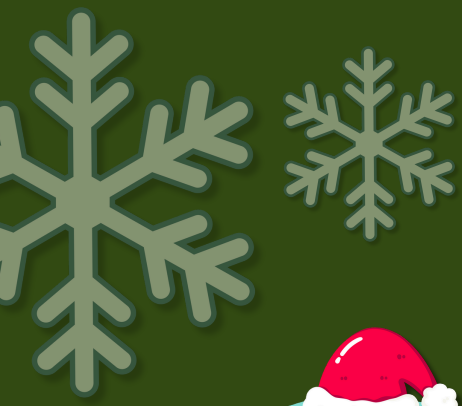
Library newsletter

December 2025

Welcome to the December edition of the Library newsletter! As we enter the final weeks of the year, we're reflecting on some of this year's best reads and shining a spotlight on new books and upcoming events for the year ahead. So grab a hot drink and let's dive into the magic of reading.



CHILTERN LEARNING TRUST

Featured Author

Rick Riordan

Percy Jackson series
The Lightning Thief (2005) – Percy discovers he's a demigod, the son of Poseidon, and embarks on a quest to prevent a war between the gods by recovering Zeus's stolen lightning bolt.

The Sea of Monsters (2006) – Percy and his friends venture into the Sea of Monsters to rescue Grover and retrieve the Golden Fleece, which is needed to save their camp.

Other books in the series include:
The Titan Curse (2007)
The Battle of the Labyrinth (2008)
The Last Olympian (2009)

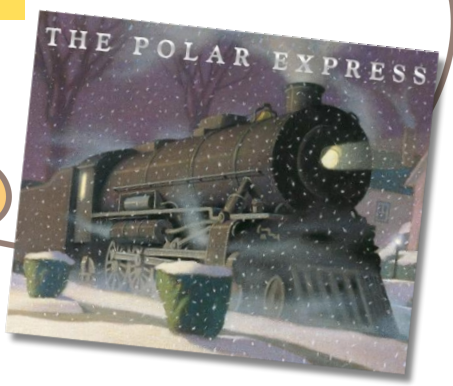
"Reading is an adventure that never ends"

LINSLADE SCHOOL

Festive reads

Sky Song - Abi Elphinstone
Two children embark on a daring quest to defeat the wicked ice queen who holds their world frozen in her icy grasp.

The longest word consists of 189,819 letters..

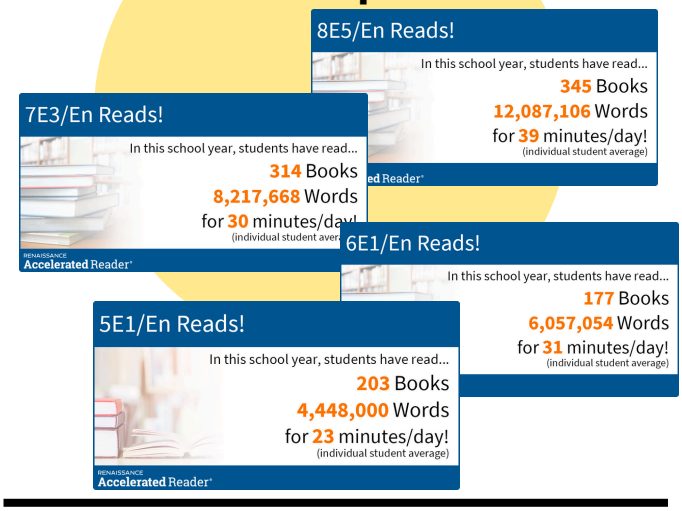


The Polar Express - By Chris Van Allsburg
One Christmas Eve, a young boy lies awake when a magical train arrives to take him to the North Pole. Through shadowy forests, over towering mountains, and across a frozen desert, the Polar Express journeys toward a grand city standing alone at the top of the world, where the boy will make his Christmas wish.

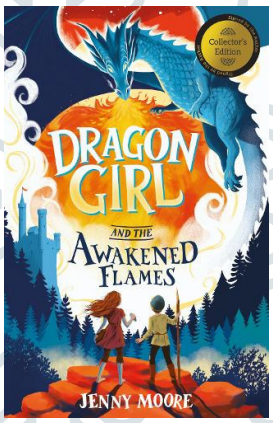
Favourite book of 2025 chosen by Library Assistants

These are the books the library assistants are currently reading.
Lana: keeper of the Lost Cities - by Rohan
Alex Rider - Nightshade Revenge
Layla: Isadora Moon by Harriet Muncaster

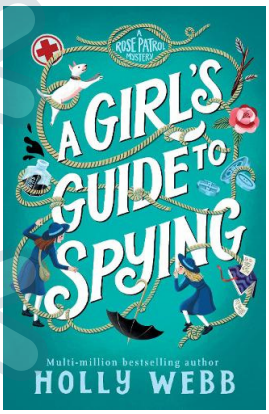
DecemberAccelerated Reader top readers



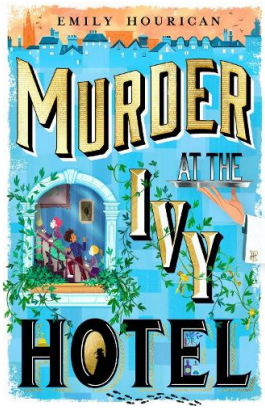
New books coming 2026



You can never have too many dragon stories. Perfect for readers aged 9 and up, with three more books to follow in the series releasing on 05.03.26.



A historical fiction celebrating the remarkable contributions of Girl Guides who played their part in the war, releasing on 12.02.26.



Set in Dublin at the Ivy Hotel, where Meredith and Macy's mum is the general manager, danger, intrigue, and threat lurk within its cosy walls. Out 12.02.26.

The worlds tallest book is over 6ft tall...

Library Info

Opening hours
8.45-3.30
1 book at a time, and please return on time

Wishing you a Merry christmas and a Happy new year. Happy reading, and see you next term

This term ....

We continue to use Accelerated Reader to help students select books that match their reading level, and after finishing a book, they can take a brief quiz to assess their understanding. Giglets is another excellent tool for boosting reading skills, as it's accessible anywhere and offers a range of reading levels, mainly geared toward KS2.