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Welcome Back!

Welcome back to school and to the first Library Newsletter of the year! Whilst you can't access the library as often as usual at the moment, we are still doing our best to make sure you have lots of new and varied books to choose from. Make sure you know your assigned day for visiting the library at break (and don't forget to return any books you borrowed over lockdown!)



It's Black History Month!

October is an annual commemoration and celebration of Black history, art and culture, and the achievements and contributions of black people in the UK and across the world.

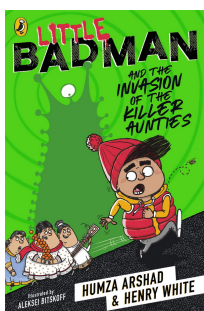
Take a look at this year's recommended reading list for lots of exciting new fiction and non-fiction. **Earn 10 achievement points** if you post a review of any book on the list on the ACS Book Review Wall [here!](#)

Summer Reading Challenge!

There have been some incredible reviews handed in for the Summer Reading Challenge so far! If you've still got yours at home, make sure you hand it in on your next library day. Achievement points will be awarded after half-term!



STAR Reading Tests will be taking place soon! Year 8 & 9 students - as we aren't having library lessons at the moment, make sure you're still taking AR Reading Quizzes at home!



STUDENT BOOK REVIEWS!

'This is a book about a boy called Humza Khan, who wants to pursue his dreams in rapping. But all of a sudden his teachers all start to disappear one by one and are replaced with suspicious aunties. With no-one except his friends on his side, he has to fight and take a journey on a adventure awfully filled with food. I would recommend this book as the main character is about our age which makes it easier for us to imagine what it would be like for Humza. This book has lots of comedy and suspense, which makes it a great book and why I enjoyed it.' - *Lathushan Mathanrajh, 8S*

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Beyond Words - Creative Writing Competition



Writing has so many benefits for our wellbeing and mental health. In the run up to World Mental Health Day, the BUPA Foundation is running a creative writing competition for young people.

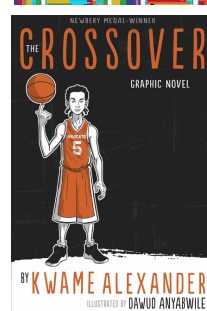
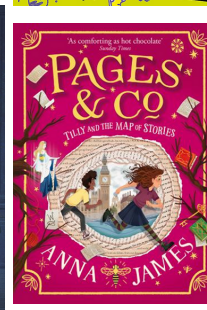
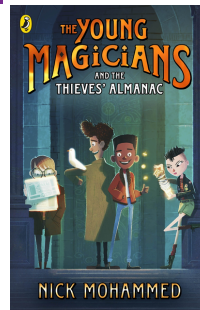
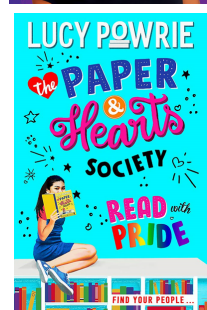
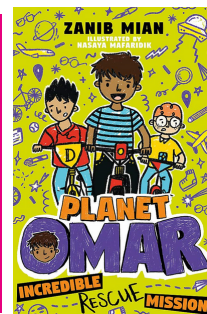
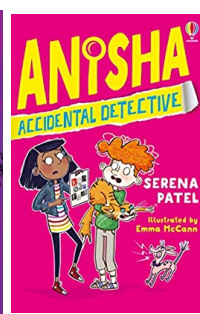


[Click here](#) for more information on how to enter!

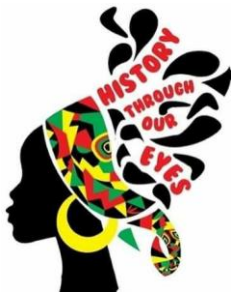


Once you've been given your login details and instructions by your English teacher, make sure you log in to myON (find the link on the school homepage) to find a book to read/listen to!

New Fiction!

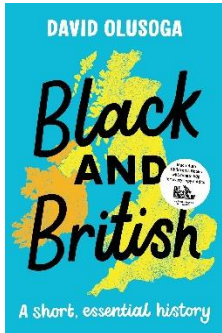


Little Badman and the Invasion of the Killer Aunties

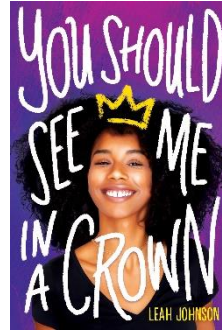


Recommended Reads

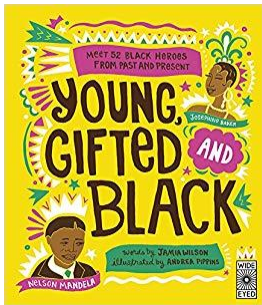
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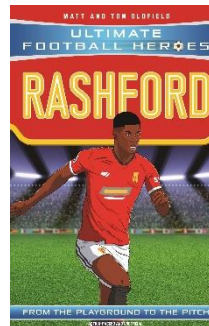
Black and British: A Short, Essential History by David Olusoga – When did Africans first come to Britain? This and many other questions are answered in this essential introduction to 1800 years of Black British history – from the Roman Africans up to the present day.



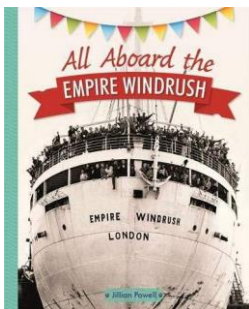
You Should See Me in A Crown by Leah Johnson - Liz has always believed she's too black, too poor, too awkward to shine in her rich, prom-obsessed town. But when the financial aid she was counting on for uni unexpectedly falls through, Liz's dreams of escape are crushed... until she's reminded of her school's scholarship for prom king & queen.



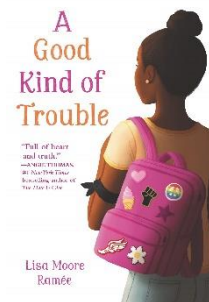
Young, Gifted and Black by Jamia Wilson – Meet 52 icons from past and present in this celebration of inspirational achievement, from pioneers such as Martin Luther King, Jr. and Rosa Parks to cultural trailblazers including Stevie Wonder and Oprah Winfrey.



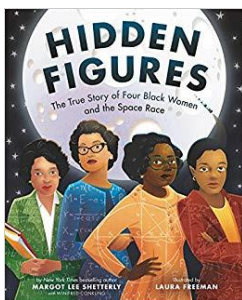
Ultimate Football Heroes – Marcus Rashford - This is the story of Marcus Rashford - one of the brightest young stars on the Manchester United books and future England goalscoring legend. From tough beginnings in Manchester, he goes on to prove himself as one of the Premier League's shining stars.



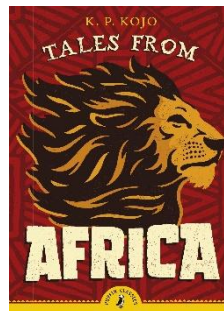
All Aboard the Empire Windrush by Jillian Powell – It is 1948 and Preston is about to set sail on a journey that will change his life forever. He and his parents will travel on The Empire Windrush from Jamaica to start a new life in Britain...



A Good Kind of Trouble by Lisa Moore Ramee – 12 year-old Shayla is allergic to trouble. Shay's sister Hana is involved in Black Lives Matter, but Shay doesn't think that's for her. But after experiencing a powerful protest, Shay decides some rules are worth breaking. She starts wearing an armband to school in support of the Black Lives movement. Soon everyone is taking sides. And she is given an ultimatum.



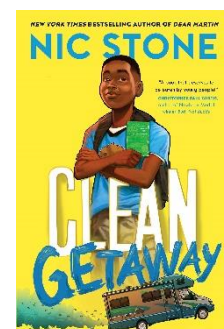
Hidden Figures: The True Story of Four Black Women and the Space Race by Margot Lee Shetterly – Dorothy Vaughan, Mary Jackson, Katherine Johnson, and Christine Darden were good at maths...really good. So good that they provided the calculations for America's first journeys into space.



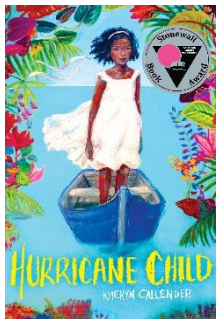
Tales from Africa by K.P.Kojo – A collection of stories drawn from the rich folklore of countries across Africa: find out how the selfish lion got his comeuppance, go to a Frog wedding in the Sky Kingdom, and much more in tales which reflect the very best and the very worst in human nature.



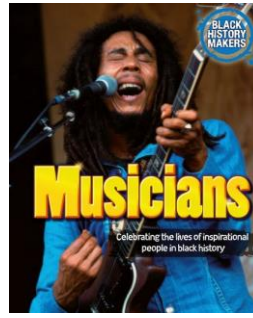
Shuri – A Black Panther Novel by Nic Stone - T'Challa's younger sister, Shuri, is a skilled martial artist, a genius, and a master of science and technology. But, she's also a teenager. And a princess. This story follows Shuri as she sets out on a quest to save her homeland of Wakanda.



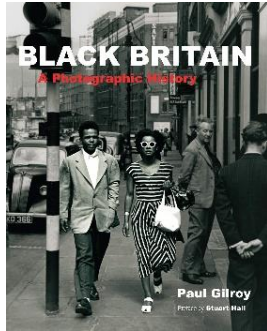
Clean Getaway by Nic Stone - How to go on an Unplanned Road Trip with Your Grandma: - Grab a suitcase. Fasten your seatbelt: G'ma's never conventional, so this trip won't be either. Use the Green Book: G'ma's most treasured possession. It holds history, memories, and most important, the way home.



Hurricane Child by Kheryn Callender – 12 year old Caroline is a Hurricane Child. Being born during a hurricane is unlucky, she has had her share of bad luck lately. Bullied at school, followed by a spirit only she can see, and worst of all, her mother has left home. But when a new student named Kalinda arrives, Caroline's luck begins to turn around.



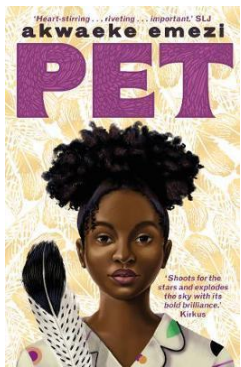
Black History Matters – Musicians – Learn about some of the most influential and inspirational black musicians: find out how Samuel Coleridge Taylor & Bob Marley used their music to portray their beliefs, and how Beyonce changed the face of pop music today.



Black Britain: A Photographic History by Paul Gilroy – A visual living history of Black Britons, including the first Jamaican immigrant to Brixton, London's first 'Caribbean Carnival', the first black publican and the first female plumber – as well as everyday experiences and anonymous faces.



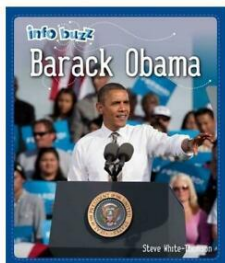
The Hate U Give by Angie Thomas – 16-year-old Starr lives in two worlds: the poor neighbourhood where she was born and raised and her posh high school. The uneasy balance between them is shattered when Starr witnesses a fatal shooting. Now what Starr says could destroy her community. It could also get her killed. AR 3.9



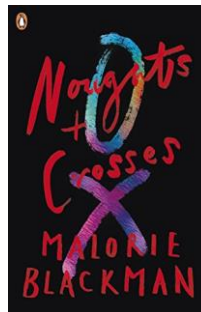
Pet by Akwaeke Emezi - There are no monsters anymore, or so the children in Lucille are taught. Jam and her best friend, Redemption, have grown up with the lesson that the city is safe for everyone. But when Jam meets Pet, a creature who some might call monstrous but, in reality, is anything but, she must reconsider what she's been told. Y9+



Nelson Mandela: 'No Easy Walk to Freedom' by Barry Denenberg – Nelson Mandela fought against apartheid in South Africa, and worked tirelessly to free his country from an oppressive government. Find out how his brave actions resulted in 27 years in jail until his eventual freedom in 1990.



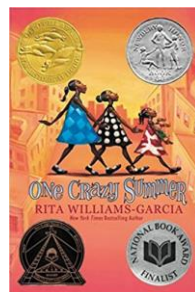
Barack Obama by Steve White-Thomson – Learn about America's first black president – read about his early life in Hawaii, his marriage to Michelle, and his journey to the White House after starting out as a community organiser and senator.



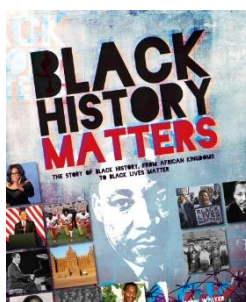
Noughts and Crosses by Malorie Blackman - Sephy is a Cross: she lives a life of privilege and power. Callum is a nought: he's considered to be less than nothing. They've been friends since they were children, and they both know that's as far as it can ever go. Noughts and Crosses are fated to be bitter enemies - love is out of the question. AR 4.0



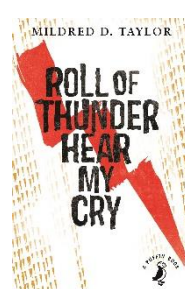
Midnight Without a Moon by Linda Williams Jackson – Mississippi, 1955. Rose is living with her grandparents on a white man's cotton plantation. When a boy in the next town called Emmett Till is killed for allegedly whistling at a white woman, Rose realises that America needs a change and that she should be part of the movement.



One Crazy Summer by Rita Williams-Garcia – Set during one of the most tumultuous years in recent American history, One Crazy Summer is the heartbreaking, funny tale of three girls who travel to Oakland, California, in 1968 in search of the mother who abandoned them.



Black History Matters - From the injustices of the past and present, we can learn and be inspired to make the world we live in more fair, equal and just. This book chronicles millennia of black history, from African kingdoms, to slavery, apartheid, the battle for civil rights and much more.



Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry by Mildred D. Taylor - 'We have no choice of what colour we're born or who our parents are or whether we're rich or poor. What we do have is some choice over what we make of our lives once we're here.' Cassie finds strength in those she loves to stand up to the prejudice around her. AR 5.7