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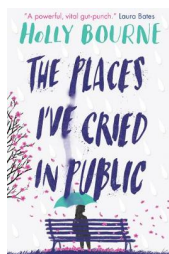
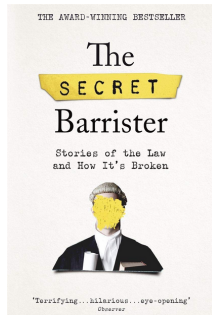
MAR 2021

Monday 8th March was International Women's Day. This year's theme was #ChoosetoChallenge - because we can all choose to challenge and call out gender bias and inequality. We can all choose to seek out and celebrate women's achievements. Collectively, we can all help create an inclusive world. To learn more, pick up any of the books on the [IWD recommended reading list](#).



Read around your subject!

If you want to study **Law** try *The Secret Barrister: Secrets of the Law and How it's Broken* - 'I'm a barrister, a job which requires the skills of a social worker, relationship counsellor, arm-twister, hostage negotiator, bus fare-provider, accountant, suicide watchman, coffee-supplier, and surrogate parent.' Welcome to the world of the Secret Barrister. These are the stories of life inside the courtroom. How can you defend an abuser you suspect to be guilty? What do you say to someone sentenced to 10 years who you believe to be innocent? What is the law and why do we need it? A fascinating insight into how fairness is not always guaranteed, and how often the system fails those it is meant to protect.



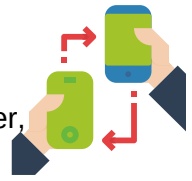
STUDENT BOOK REVIEWS!

'I really liked this book. It gives a view from a teenage girl who has suffered abuse by her own boyfriend, and I learned that there are many people in the world who can help you. It made me realise what friendship truly is. ★★★★★' - Urvashi Ullas, 11P

The Places I've Cried in Public

Poetry Competition!

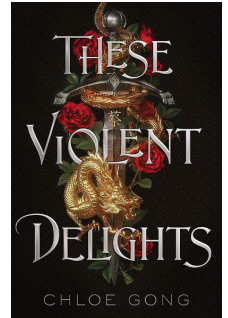
Mr Osmany's second poetry competition has launched! To enter, write a poem on the theme of **connecting**. Perhaps you could write on something that connects us all, the relationships you have with others, or your desire to connect with something or someone far away! **Email poems to literacycompetitions@alperton.brent.sch.uk by 1st of April** - prizes to be won!



Books of the Month

Fiction - *These Violent Delights* by Chloe Gong

A fantasy retelling of Romeo and Juliet set against the immersive backdrop of 1920s Shanghai. A blood feud between two gangs runs the streets red, leaving the city in the grip of chaos. 18-year-old Juliette Cai has returned to assume her role as the proud heir of the Scarlet Gang - a network of criminals far above the law. Their only rivals in power are the White Flowers, who have fought the Scarlets for generations. And behind every move is their heir, Roma Montagov, Juliette's first love . . . and first betrayal.



Non-Fiction - *Be The Change: A Toolkit for the Activist in You* by Gina Martin



In June 2017, a man took a photo up Gina Martin's skirt at a music festival. The police told her that this was not a sexual offence; the man would not be charged. But she was tired of accepting sexual harassment as a fact of life. 18 months later, she had changed the law and made upskirting a criminal offence. Now, her book will empower you with the tools and courage to challenge injustice and fight for change, whether it's in your school, workplace or community, or even on a global scale.

New Penguin Talk - *Why Empire is Relevant Today*

[Click here](#) to watch award-winning author & journalist Sathnam Sanghera discuss the impact of Empire on modern Britain, its absence from the school curriculum and why it's relevant to young people today.

