

Hartsdown Literacy Newsletter

From your Student Literacy Leaders!



If you love reading and all things academic, then email Miss Kingsman (kingsmanh@hartsdown.org) to inquire about joining our fabulous SLL team!



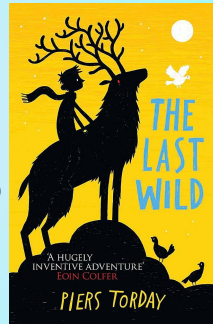
Fiction (KS3)

The Gilded Ones, by Namina Forna, was released in February, 2021. Sixteen-year-old Deka lives in fear and anticipation of the blood ceremony that will determine whether she will become a member of her village. Already different from everyone else because of her unnatural intuition, Deka prays for red blood so she can finally feel like she belongs.



Student Book Recommendation:

The Last Wild, by Piers Torday
Part of a 3 book series, Kester is extraordinary, but he doesn't know that yet. He must use his gift to animals. A captivating animal adventure destined to be loved by readers of all ages.



Classics Corner!

A Wrinkle in Time, by Madeleine L'Engle (1962)
The main characters - Meg Murry, Charles Wallace Murry, and Calvin O'Keefe - embark on a journey through space and time, from universe to universe, as they endeavor to save the Murrays' father and the world.



Get involved:

- Are you an aspiring author? Do you have enough creativity to win £1500? Then look no further than the Birdport Prize; the international creative writing competition. See their website for further information: <https://bridportprize.org.uk/>
- **1 Million Word Competition (Year 7 and 8 only)**
Have you heard of the latest competition to read 1,000,000 words? Well, you can log in to join that competition here: <https://ukhosted17.renlearn.co.uk/1894130/>
With special prizes up for grabs (top secret), click [here](#) to see the poster for more information. Remember, the deadline is Friday 26th March - so, get reading!

- **Young Writers 100 word competition (Open to all aged 11-18)**

[Enter through the school portal here!](#)

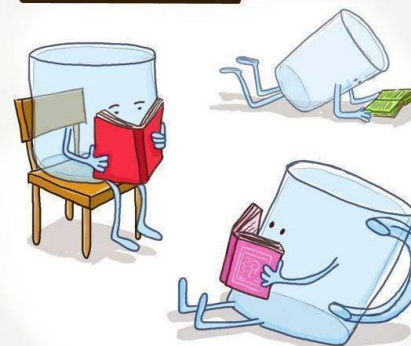
The next installment of the 100 word spine chillers competition is available to enter now!

All you need to do to enter is to write a 100 word story, inspired by the theme of a **ghost story**, by Monday 29th March. That's it! 100 words!

ALL SUCCESSFUL ENTRIES THAT MEET THE BRIEF WILL BE PUBLISHED IN A REAL BOOK.



READING GLASSES



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