

QUEEN ELIZABETH'S GRAMMAR SCHOOL

# LIBRARY NEWSLETTER

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Welcome to the first **QEGS Library** Newsletter! We are sorry it isn't possible to get our great books and resources to you at the moment but that doesn't mean you have to miss out. There are still lots of exciting, book-related things you can get involved in. After all...

"Reading gives us some place to go when we have to stay where we are." - Mason Cooley (a famous American writer 1927-2002)

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We have a 'Library Resources' page on the QEGS website – just follow the 'School Closure' link from the home page.

There are links to a variety of magazines, **academic** journals and online tutorials for you to use. We have suggestions for **fun stuff** to pass the time....games and activities, audio books, competitions and quizzes.

Keep checking for the regular updates to see what's new.



LOUISE RENNISON



#### e-Books from Derbyshire Libraries

You can read thousands of e-books (on your tablet, PC or phone) for free through Derbyshire Libraries. Even if you are not yet a member of the library you can join online and download e-books immediately.

If you're already a member of your local library go to

https://www.derbyshire.gov.uk/leisure/libraries/ebooks/ebooks-emagazines-and-eaudiobooks.aspx and follow the instructions to start browsing through the books available.

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https://www.derbyshire.gov.uk/leisure/libraries/using-your-library/joining/joining-the-library.aspx and click on "Join the Library". Fill in all your details and you'll be given a temporary username and password that you can use straight away.

### FANCY SHOWING US YOUR FUNNY SIDE?

## LOUISE RENNISON NATIONAL FUNNY AWARD 2020

The Louise Rennison National Funny Award is a writing and performing arts competition designed to showcase the creative and comedic talents of 11-18 year olds who don't take themselves too seriously! Whether you love telling funny stories or jokes, have an idea for a comedy sketch or song – or just fancy giving something new a go - we want to hear from you ... Your mission – should you choose to accept it – is to have our panel of judges rolling on the floor with laughter – but most importantly – for you to have fun! Check out all the details on the website....

https://www.louiserennisonnationalfunnyaward.com/





Visit the **Harry Potter at Home** hub where you'll find all the latest magical treats to keep you occupied – including fun articles, quizzes, puzzles, craft ideas and even Daniel Radcliffe reading the first chapter of Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone. What more could you possibly want??

**DID YOU KNOW?** When he was six, Roald Dahl made his mother take him to meet Beatrix Potter. Potter, who was in her eighties at the time and was known to dislike children, told them both to 'buzz off.'

# If you like the idea of **ARTEMIS FOWL** WITH SWORDS or PERCY JACKSON WITH NINJAS..

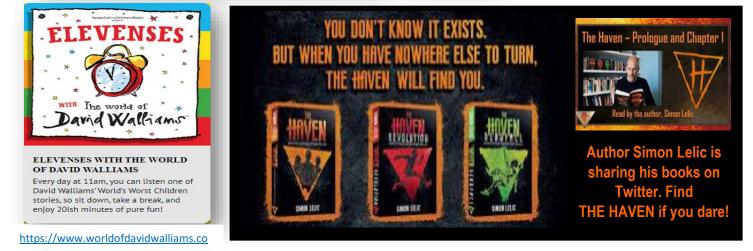
Search for Chris Bradford on **YOUTUBE** and discover the skills needed to become a young samurai; get up close to a samurai sword; witness an all-kicking all-punching book reading; and find out about his life as a bestselling author and black belt martial artist. Then head to virtualvisit.youngsamurai.com to complete your training!



**DID YOU KNOW?** Goosebumps author R. L. Stine once received a letter from a child which began, 'Dear R.L. Stine, I've read 40 of your books and I think they're really boring.'







Do you love books and reading? Have you got some great book suggestions or reviews to share? Why not get involved in the next issue of our newsletter?

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