



# Welcome To The Dove Learning Centre



# Year 6/7 Transition booklet

The Dove Learning Centre includes the library section, (with shelves full of books) and a computer suite. We aim to stock books that you enjoy reading so we are always happy to hear your ideas and suggest books that you would like us to order. We have fiction and non-fiction books plus the very popular graphic novels.

It is open before the start of school, break time and lunchtime. Before school many pupils come into the Centre to use the computers and complete homework with the added support from teaching assistants. The lunch times are busy with pupils coming into use computers, read a book or try one of the many activities that we prepare.

Due to high numbers wanting to use the Learning Centre at lunchtimes we have to split the days for Year Sevens and Year eights. Monday and Wednesday lunchtimes are timetabled for Year 7s and Tuesday and Thursday lunch times are for Year 8s. Friday lunchtime is known as "Reading Friday" where you can come in and quietly read a book on a first come first served basis.

The computer suite is also used for lessons, so you might find that one of your IT lessons takes place in this area. It is a lovely spacious area. You are able to print off any work and send it directly to the printer that is in the library section, so not too far to walk.

The library is sometimes used for English lessons. Teachers love to encourage pupils to read and use time in the lesson for choosing a book. The lesson may also be used for quiet reading, which means that you can concentrate and really get to grips with a story plot and character.

# Meet the Staff



Mrs  
Mrs Cowley  
(LC Manager)

Massey  
(LC Assistant)

We are always here to help! It may be asking for advice on what book to read, needing assistance with the photocopier, struggling with work on a computer or simply just needing a chat.

(We don't always dress this way, but we do like to join in with Children in Need day) ☺

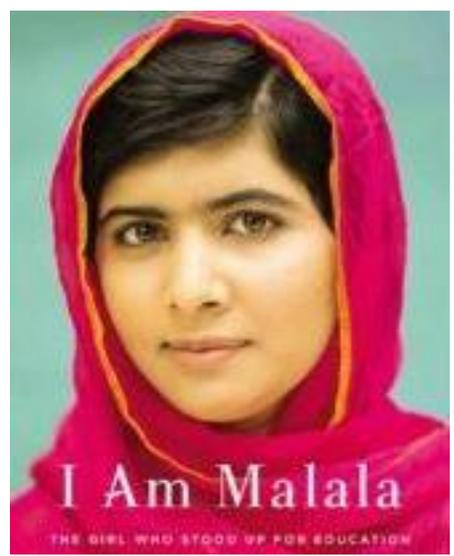
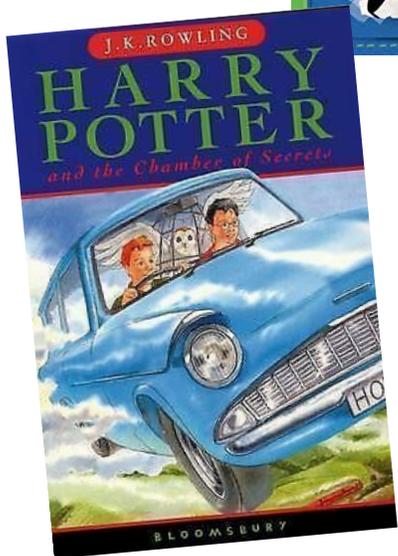
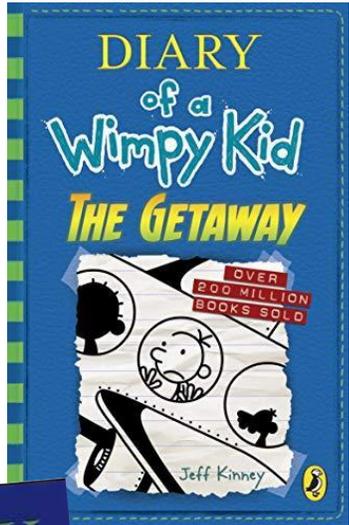
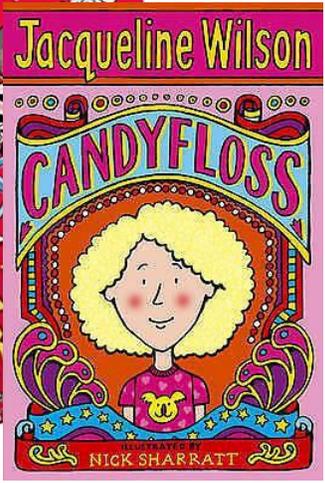
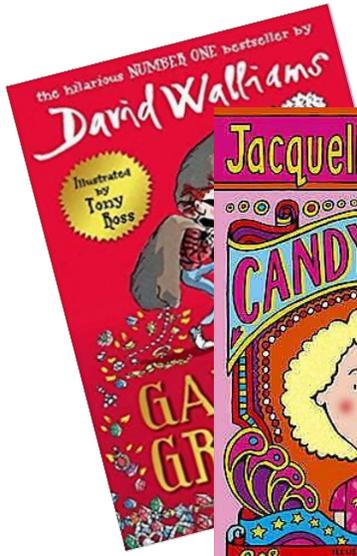
## **How do I borrow a book?**

- Choose a book from the bookshelf. If you need help finding a book you would like to read or advice on making a decision about a book choice, we can help you
- Take the book to the library reception desk where a member of staff or student librarian will help you. The book has a barcode that we scan. This information is recorded on the computer under your name, so we know who has borrowed the book.
- The book then has to be stamped with the date for its return. You are allowed to borrow it for four weeks and you are responsible for returning it to the library reception desk. It is then scanned again so that we know it is back with us in the library.

## **What if I am late returning the book?**

- If it is, for example two days late it is not a major problem but try to let us know by popping into the library, as soon as possible if you have forgotten to bring it with you to school.
- If you keep on forgetting to bring it back we send a letter to your form, where the teacher will remind you about a late book. This will progress to a letter home to your parent/guardian will remind you to be responsible and return it to school.
- If you lose the book then let us know as soon as you realise this. We do expect a replacement book (you may have one at home) or payment for a used copy from Amazon.

.....Some of our library books



# Activities in the Learning Centre



Pupils making pumpkins for



Ghosts and Halloween display



## **Book Buzz for Year 7s and Mrs Hardy's Book Club**

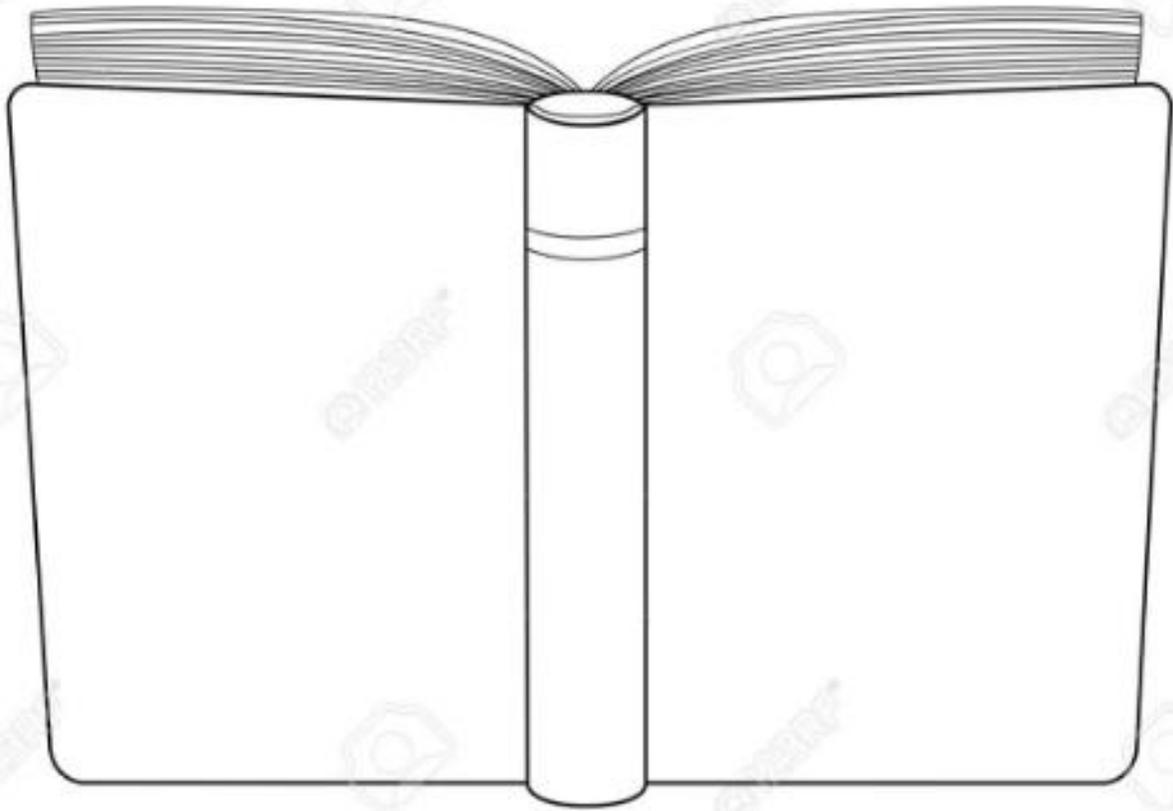


### **Reading Cloud.**

You can take a look at what books we stock in the library from your PC, mobile phone or tablet, [www.readingcloud.net](http://www.readingcloud.net)  
Details are on the School Website under Literacy.

### **Summer Holiday Activities**

Design a book cover for one of your favourite books.  
Draw your own on an A4 piece of paper



Write the "blurb"  
on the back cover



Write the title on  
the Spine and the  
name of the author



Draw your  
design; write the  
title of the book  
and the name of  
the author

# Create your own Story Wheel

Choose one of your favourite books and have a go at this activity: Draw a circle on an A3 piece of paper (the larger the circle the better as you have more room to complete the tasks.) Split the circle into six sections and complete each task in the sections of the circle.

