St Patrick's High School

October 2024 Library Newsletter

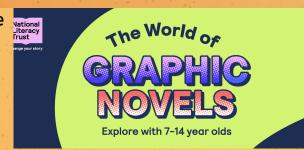
Author of the month

Our featured author for October has to be award winning Irish author Derek Landy. His first book Skulduggery Pleasant, the story of a 400-year-old skeleton detective and his 14-year-old sidekick Valkyrie was published in 2007. There are now 16 books in the series and be warned these books are addictive. They are a mishmash of genre, humour, horror, magic, fantasy, crime, and action. Even though Landy writes about the supernational and magic he doesn't actually believe in either.



The Book Club is waiting for you!

The Year 8 and Year 9 Book Clubs are taking part in the National Literacy Trust's - The World of Graphic Novels Challenge. The groups will be kicking off the challenge by reading The Sad Ghost Club by Lize Meddings and Frankie's World by Aoife Dooley.



The Book Clubs meet at lunch time on Tuesdays.

Library Clubs

Period 5 Lunch - Year 8 Lego Club (members only) Period 6 Lunch - Year 9/10 Lego Club (members only)

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After School Games Club 3.15-4.15 Everyone welcome!

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Social media

We are delighted to announce that the library now has its very own Instagram page! @ stpatrickslibrary For more information or to become a Bookfluencer please see Miss Houlahan in the English Department.

Fun events held during October - see the school website, Facebook and Instagram for more details and photos.



A day of celebration about all things poetry Students in years 8&9 wrote some fantastic poems, on the theme of Counting



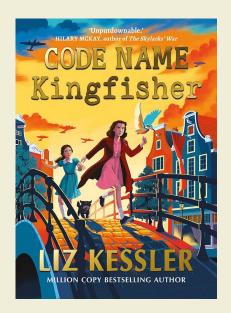
Spooky Stories

Barney Bones and Mr McGuigan joined Mrs McArdle for a scary story time, games and treats.



865 had a visit to
Keady Library to help
celebrate "Love your
Library day"

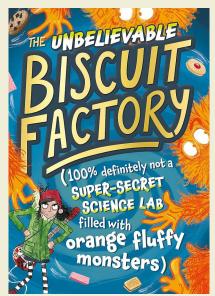
KS3 Book Recommendations



The powerful WW2 novel from bestselling and award-winning author Liz Kessler. When Liv finds a secret box from her grandmother's childhood, she uncovers an extraordinary war-time story of bravery, betrayal and daring defiance.

Holland, 1942. As the Nazis' power grows, 12-year-old Mila and her older sister Hannie have strict instructions to hide their Jewish identities.

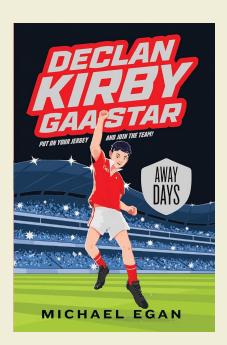
Mila does her best to keep out of trouble. Hannie is swept into the Dutch resistance as an undercover agent: Code Name KINGFISHER. She is determined to fight back but danger could be closer than the girls think ...



I live near a biscuit factory. Sounds like a dream come true, right?
But it's not all fun and Jammie Dodgers. You see the biscuit factory is
really a Super-Secret Science Lab. Everyone pretends it makes biscuits. It
just makes life easier.

Until today. Because the biscuit factory tore a hole between dimensions, and now HUGH ORANGE MONSTERS are climbing through.

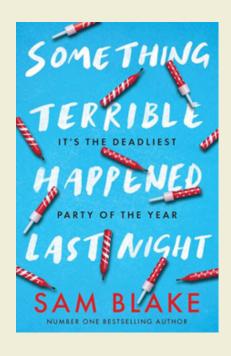
Oh, and if we don't do something the world is going to go KABLOOEY
in the next 30 minutes.
NOT ON MY WATCH.
You coming?



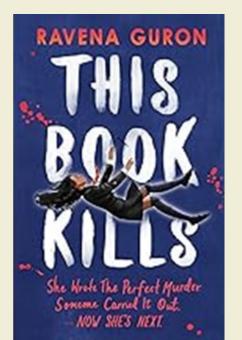
Declan Kirby can't believe it when he's selected for the country team to play in the inaugural All-Ireland underage competition. What's more, a few teammates from his home club, Smithgreen, are picked too.

Declan and his friends will have to give it everything they've got to make it to the big final in Croke Park. But when they travel to Galway for the tournament, they find out that all is not as it seems ...

KS4 Book Recommendations



It's Katie's 17th birthday – the dancefloor is packed, the drink is flowing and Rave-fess, the Raven's Hill School confession site, is alight with gossip. Then a huge fight breaks out, sending guests fleeing. When Frankie, Jess and Sorcha go back to help Katie clear up her wrecked house before her parents get home, they find more than broken bottles ... There's a body on the living room floor.



"I'll make it clear from the start: I did not kill Hugh Henry Van Boren. I didn't even help.
Well, not intentionally."

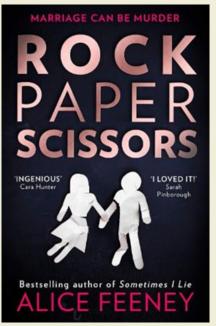
When Hugh Henry Van Boren, one of the most popular and richest kids in Jess Choudhary's school, is found dead, the student body is left reeling and wondering who the murderer could be... Jess, a student under strict instructions to keep her record clean or risk losing her scholarship, finds herself at the centre of the investigation when it's revealed that Hugh died in the exact same way as a character in a short story she wrote.

And then Jess receives an anonymous text thanking her for the inspiration.

With time running out, Jess knows if she doesn't solve this mystery she'll finally have something in common with Hugh Henry.

She'll be dead too.

Staff Book Recommendation



Rock Paper Scissors: The phenomenal thriller and instant New York Times bestseller from the author of Sometimes I Lie

Ten years of marriage.

Ten years of secrets.

An anniversary they'll never forget.

Adam and Amelia are spending the weekend in the Scottish Highlands. The remote location is perfect for what they have planned. But when their romantic trip takes a dark turn, they both start to wonder – can they trust the one they're with? Because every couple tells little white lies. Only for Adam and Amelia, the truth is far more dangerous.

'A cleverly crafted novel with a grand twist' Stella magazine
'Creepy, gripping and oh-so readable, we loved this! Fabulous magazine
'A clever, cunning read and one where you expect a twist, but when it comes, it's so perfect and wonderful that you want to tell everyone' Belfast Telegraph

'The reader never quite know who's telling the truth about who they really are' Cosmopolitan