

Library Newsletter

Author of the Month

This month we are celebrating one of the best loved authors in our school, **Gill Lewis**. Gill's childhood dream was to become a vet, which she did before becoming an acclaimed author. Gill has written many adventure stories about wildlife and conservation including our favourites Sky Hawk, Sky Dancer and Gorilla Dawn. Gill has worked all over the world as a vet, and now lives in Somerset with her family and their pets. She writes her books in her tree house surrounded by squirrels and plates of biscuits.



Monday

Period 5 Lunchtime - Yr 8 Lego Club
Period 6 Lunchtime - Yr 9 Lego Club
After School - Pets Club 3.15-4.15 Years 8-10

Tuesday

Period 5 Lunchtime - Yr 8 Book Club
Period 6 Lunchtime - Yr 9 Book Club

Wednesday

Lunchtime - years 10-12
After School Board Games & Chess Club - 3.15-4.15
Everyone Welcome

Thursday

After School Lego Club 3.15-4.15 Everyone Welcome

Friday

After School Dungeons and Dragons Club
3.15-4.15 - Members only

*Speak to Mrs McArdle
about joining a club!*

**Library
Now open at
lunch time on
Wednesdays
for
years 10-12**



Bring your lunch



Do your homework



Use the computers



Play boardgames and chess



Borrow books



Chat and relax

Celebrating St Valentine's Day



READ WHAT YOU LOVE
LOVE WHAT YOU READ

807 used Heart Maps to find books in the library about their favourite things
Heart Maps from @k3 Library Buzz



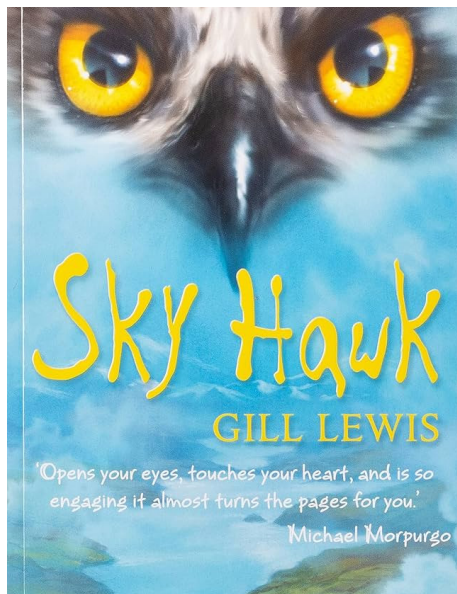
Celebrating
St Valentine's Day
at Lego Club



950 celebrated National Storytelling Week with a wonderful afternoon in the library, sharing their own original stories on this year's theme - Reimagine Your World



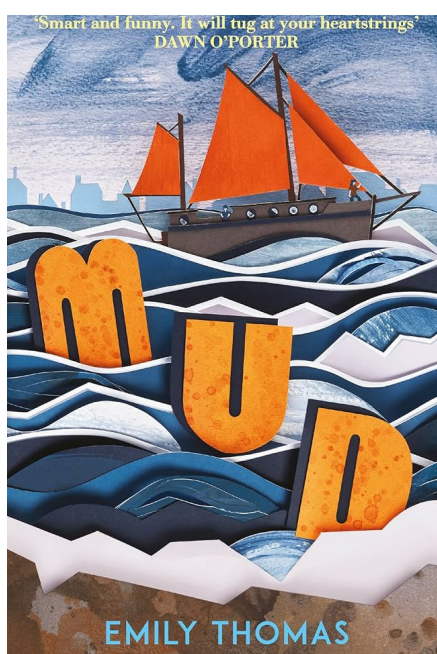
KS3 Book Recommendations



When Callum and his friends find Iona on Callum's farm they try to chase her back into the village. But Iona runs from them up into the hills. It is late and dark and snow lies in the mountain gullies. Worried for Iona's safety, Callum follows to find her shivering with cold but refusing to leave. She is guarding a secret hidden in the forest above the dark waters of the loch. So they make a deal. Iona shares the secret and in return Callum allows her back onto the farm.

They form a deep bond of friendship and make a promise to keep their secret safe. It is a promise that will change Callum's world forever . . .

Soar above the clouds in this enthralling tale of friendship, loyalty, and hope. your new text



An achingly funny, touching story for anyone who has been thrown in at the deep end.

'Smart and funny. It will tug at your heartstrings' Dawn O'Porter

It's 1979, and thirteen-year-old Lydia has no idea how she'll cope when her dad announces that the family has to sell up and move onto a Thames sailing barge in Essex. With his girlfriend. And her three kids.

Between trying to keep her clothes dry in a leaky cabin, disastrous hair-dye attempts, awkward encounters with local boys, and coping with her suddenly enormous and troublesome family, Lydia fears she'll sink rather than swim . . . At turns heartbreaking and uplifting, through Lydia's innocent and perceptive voice we find out that while the mud may stick, the tide can turn - and in unexpected and joyful ways.



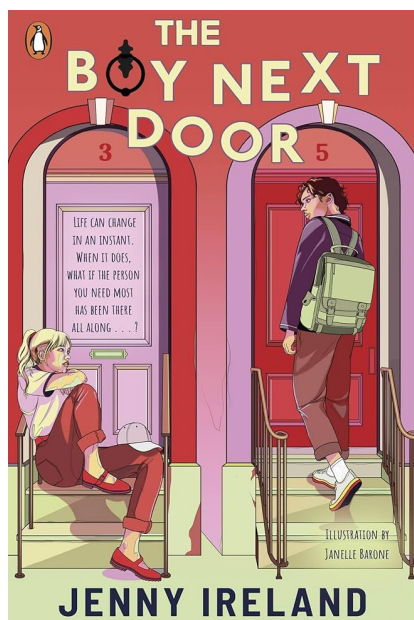
Gizmo has been my best friend since the day I was born - he's always been around. But now they're telling me he might not always be around which completely sucks.

I'm determined that me and Gizmo will have lots more fun and adventures before he goes - I mean, he loves parties, deserves pampering, and needs a break by the seaside. And as for that old saying about how you can't teach an old dog new tricks - it's true, you really can't!

Gizmo's bucket list is up and running - unlike Gizmo who is totally lazy and demanding to be carried . . .

All the laugh-out-loud humour you'd expect from a Ben Davis book but with added heart and poignancy . . . and a four-legged character you'll fall in love with.

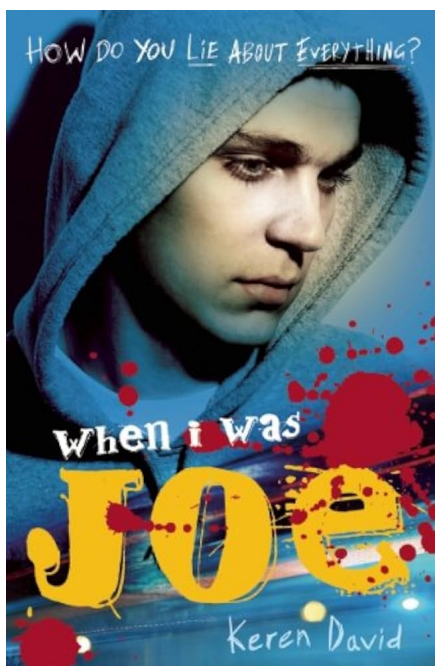
KS4 Book Recommendations



Finbar and Molly live next door to each other. When they were children, they spent hours and hours together. They were best friends. Until they weren't.

Now 18, Fin and Molly move in very different circles. Molly is popular, pretty, dating the most handsome boy in the whole school. Fin has one friend and he's pretty sure he hates his dad and his little sister.

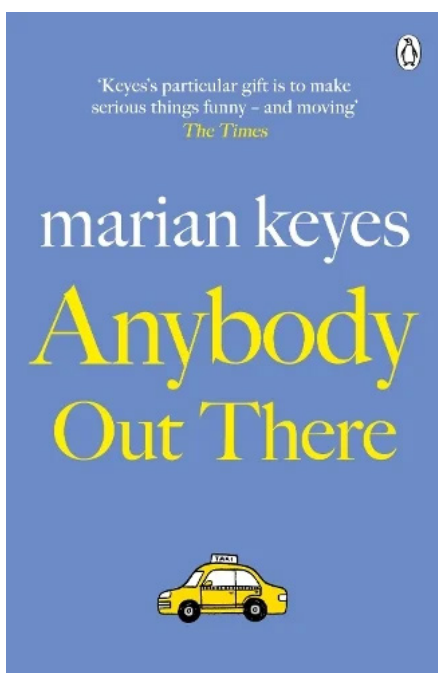
At a party one night, though, they're pulled together in a way neither of them expects and then follows a year that will see them experiencing life-changing challenges, friendships, love and everything in between.
Age 13+



When Ty witnesses a stabbing, his own life is in danger from the criminals he's named, and he and his mum have to go into police protection. Ty has a new name, a new look and a cool new image - life as Joe is good, especially when he gets talent spotted as a potential athletics star, special training from an attractive local celebrity and a lot of female attention. But his mum can't cope with her new life, and the gangsters will stop at nothing to flush them from hiding. Joe's cracking under extreme pressure, and then he meets a girl with dark secrets of her own. This wonderfully gripping and intelligent novel depicts Ty/Joe's confused sense of identity in a moving and funny story that teenage boys and girls will identify with.

Age 13+

Staff Book Recommendations



Meet Anna Walsh.

Lying in her parents' Good Front Room, covered in bandages, Anna dreams of leaving Dublin and returning to her beloved New York. To her home. To her job. And most of all to her husband Aidan.

Unfortunately, her family have other ideas. She's staying put. And Aidan? He's refusing to even take her calls. The last thing Anna wants is to think about how she ended up in this mess. But with nothing else to do, she's forced to ask herself why she's thousands of miles from the life she loves.

Where did it all go wrong? And can she fix it, before it's too late?

An oldy but a goody!