





## NEWS FROM THE SENIOR IRC

## Book Week 2018 – “Find your treasure”

Book Week is being held in the IRC during Week 5 this term. **(20th -24th August)**

To celebrate book week, the IRC will be holding an ancient challenge that will test the literary knowledge of all willing adventurers!

Long lost riddles from the Ancient Library of Alexandria have been discovered in the IRC, rumoured to be the source of great treasures (and prizes!) for any students able to decipher them.

A new riddle will appear every two days. Will you be able to solve all five riddles of the Ancient Library?

For more information please speak to Library staff.

### **Book in a Jar Competition is back!**

Back by popular demand the ‘Book in a Jar’ competition will be held during Book Week this year. Parts of five books have been placed in five jars in the Senior IRC. Can you guess the name of the book in each of the jars?

Students who can guess all five books will win a great prize! All entries need to be in by **Friday 31st August**.

For more information please see Mrs Comiskey or Mr Smith.

### **What’s new on the Shelf?**

*Travel back to the land of the Pharaohs in the IRC!*

#### **The Story of Egypt - Joann Fletcher**

*“The story of the world's greatest civilisation spans 4000 years of history that has shaped the world. It is full of spectacular sites and epic stories, an evolving society rich in inventors, heroes, heroines, villains, artisans and pioneers. Now Professor Joann Fletcher pulls together the complete Story of Egypt - charting the rise and fall of the ancient Egyptians while putting their whole world into a context that we can all relate to. From Ramses II's penchant for dying his grey hair, to how we know Montuhotep's chief wife bit her nails, Joann Fletcher brings alive the history and people of ancient Egypt as nobody else can.”*

**The Story of Egypt** by Professor Joann Fletcher is a clear, accessible and highly detailed account of Ancient Egypt from the earliest dynasties to the takeover of Egypt by Rome. Well written and interesting, this is a book that provides a wealth of information covering a wide range of topics. Professor Fletcher not only provides a detailed account of all known pharaohs, but also information on the importance of woman in ancient Egyptian society, details on the critical part religion played in daily life, as well as information on tombs, temples and important archeological discoveries.

Professor Fletcher gives readers a much grander view of the world around Egypt, describing how the Egyptians interacted with neighbours Babylon, Greece and the Hittites, as well as providing information on the wars of conquest that impacted the area surrounding them. Containing useful maps and a detailed index, **The Story of Egypt** is a great resource for all students of Ancient History and anyone who wants to learn more about the land of the pharaohs.

More great new Ancient Egypt resources have recently arrived in the IRC! Please speak to Library staff for more information.

### **Overdue books**

Overdue notices will be sent out this week. If any students require a printed list of their loans please speak to Mrs Comiskey or Mr Smith.

This year the IRC has introduced a new overdue policy. Students who do not return their books after receiving their third notice as well as an email will be invoiced for a replacement copy. All invoices will still stand if books are returned after this final date.

**Mrs Annette Comiskey & Mr Michael Smith**

Senior IRC Library Team

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