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NEWS FROM THE IRC

Library opening hours and borrowing guidelines

The Senior IRC is open from 7.15am to 3.00pm Monday to Friday.

The IRC is open at lunchtime every day, and at recess every day except Tuesday.

Students in Years 7 to 11 can borrow up to two fiction and two non-fiction resources at one time.

Each resource has a loan time limit of two weeks.

Students can renew loans after these two weeks if required. Resources can also be reserved.

Students who don't return their loans within the time period will receive an overdue notice.

Library loans of 2019

Students in Years 8 to 11 who still have library books from 2019 need to return them to the IRC as soon as possible. Students who do not return their books will receive an invoice for a replacement copy. Please speak to Mrs Comiskey or Mr Smith if you require a printed list of your loans.

The IRC needs you!

Are you in Year 7? Want to help out in the IRC? Want to see how a school library works? If yes then the IRC needs you! Library monitors are needed! Please speak to Mrs Comiskey or Mr Smith if you are interested in applying.

Anime in the IRC

At lunchtime on Friday Week 3 Anime will arrive in the IRC! The IRC will be showing Japanese anime movies up on the big screen. The first movie being shown will be 'Howl's Moving Castle' directed by Hayao Miyazaki. The movie will be shown over consequent Fridays until finished. Many more great anime movies are planned for 2020. Please speak to Mrs Comiskey for more information.

IRC on Canvas

The Senior IRC's canvas page is the place to be for all your Library information. As well as providing information on the latest Library news and competitions, students will also have access to HSC and career resources, Year 11 and 12 subject guides, a library catalogue guide as well as help with the Dewey Decimal System. Research hints and tips and bibliography help guides are also available. Lots of great resources are to be found on the IRC Canvas page!

For more information please speak to Mr Smith or Mrs Comiskey.

What's new on the shelf?

'When darkness falls...heroes rise'

The Good Hawk - Joseph Elliot

"If everything was taken from you, what would you do to get it back? Agatha patrols the sea wall with pride, despite those who question her right to be there, because of the condition she was born with. Jaime is a reluctant Angler, full of self-doubt and afraid of the sea. When disaster strikes, the pair must embark on a terrifying journey to a land where forgotten magic and dark secrets lurk in every shadow..."

'The Good Hawk' the debut novel of author Joseph Elliot is the gripping and compelling story of two young people overcoming incredible odds. Set in a strange mystical fantasy world with wonderfully unique and strange characters, it is a story filled with shocking plot twists and turns that will have readers eagerly awaiting each new page. Main protagonist Agatha is a wonderful character, born with Down Syndrome she has had to battle opposition and discrimination all her life. Brave, courageous and resourceful, Agatha is a character all readers will love and cheer for. Author Joseph Elliot based his main character Agatha on some of the amazing children he taught during his time as a teacher at Westminster Special Schools.

Heart-warming and inspiring, this story of friendship, courage and what it means to be hero is guaranteed to be a hit with all readers. A five out five read!

Mrs Annette Comiskey & Mr Michael Smith

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