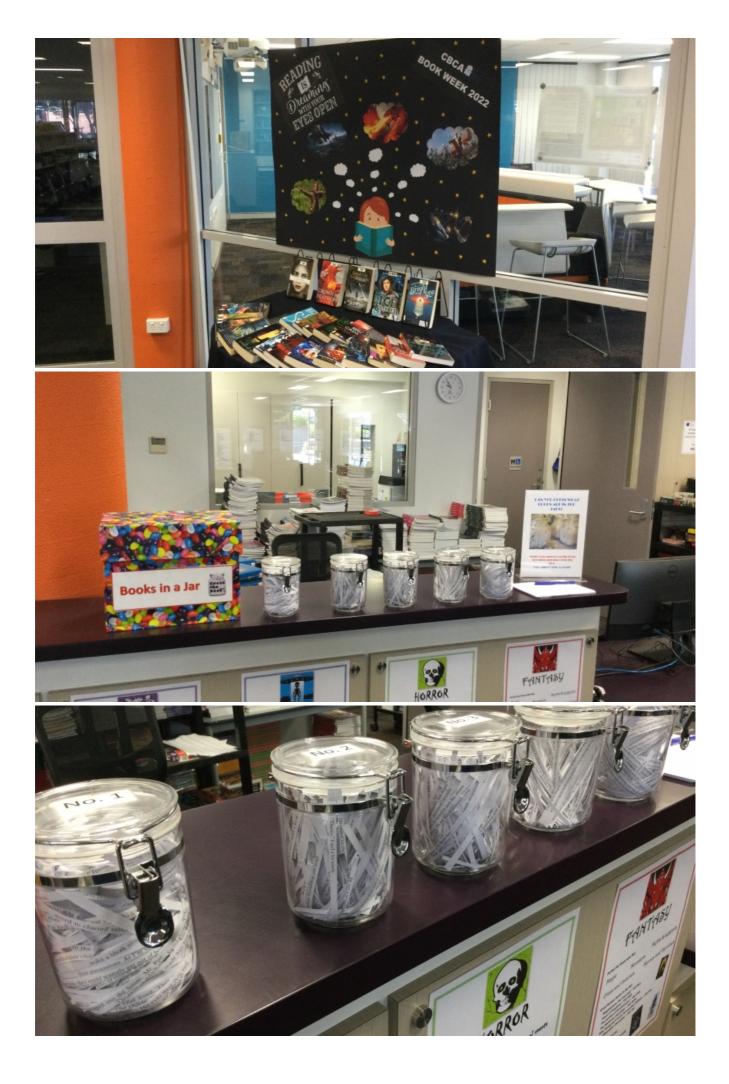


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SENIOR LIBRARY BOOK SNAP

Book in a Jar Competition

To celebrate Book Week the Senior IRC is once again having our popular 'Book in the Jar' competition. 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! There is even more time to enter with the final day for entries being extended to **Friday 9th September.**

For more information please see Mrs Comiskey or Mr Smith.

Page Turners Book Club

Love Books? Love Reading? Love Food? Join the Page Turners! The Page Turners book club is for students in Years 7 to 9. The book currently being read is 'Tomorrow when the war began' by

Australian author John Marsden. The next meeting will be held during **lunchtime Wednesday 7th September.** For more information please speak to Mr Smith or Mr Vasington.

What's new on the Shelf?

'In the Ancient World, one army was feared above all others..'

"When Cyrus, brother to the Great King of Persia, attempts to overthrow his reckless sibling, he employs a Greek mercenary army of 10,000 soldiers. When this army becomes stranded as a result of the unexpected death of Cyrus, and then witnesses the treacherous murder of its entire officer corps, despair overtakes them. One man, Xenophon, rallies the Greeks. As he attempts to lead them to freedom across 1,500 miles of hostile territory seething with adversaries, 10,000 men set off on the long way home."

'The Falcon of Sparta' is a well written, highly engaging and compelling story of human endurance in face of terrible opposition. Based on a real historical event, it tells the story of Xenophon, a young Athenian soldier who leads his comrades on a terrifying journey through enemy lands in an attempt to reach home. Author Conn Iggulden's novels are well known for their exciting action sequences, thrilling and suspenseful plots and rich historical detail, and this novel is no different. From the colourful and fascinating descriptions of Ancient Persia to the gritty and bloody details of ancient warfare, readers will feel instantly transported to the far distant past and like they are witnessing these events firsthand. A wonderful story and novel that will definitely be of interest to many different readers. Due to some of the graphic scenes in this novel, it would be better suited for students in Years 9 and above.

Mrs Annette Comiskey & Mr Michael Smith

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