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## MOBILE LIBRARY

Dear Parents and Students

After the success of delivering Year 10 revision resources, we are now offering a mobile library delivery and return service to your doorstep. The scheme will start immediately, and deliveries will be weekly depending on the demand.

### What you need to do:

- Search the library catalogue and reserve items with this link <https://library.stjohns.excalibur.org.uk/>
- Alternatively, you can email me direct [astokes@stjohns.excalibur.org.uk](mailto:astokes@stjohns.excalibur.org.uk) with your request, or ask me to choose something for you if you don't know what you would like.
- Please note that you can also order and pay for revision guides and workbooks, email [astokes@stjohns.excalibur.org.uk](mailto:astokes@stjohns.excalibur.org.uk) for more information.

### What next?

- The books will be delivered to your house by a member of staff living near you.
- This member of staff will also liaise with you to return books.

### In the future

- In the current Lockdown situation, we are working on the logistics of Year 11 and 13 students returning their course textbooks, library books and any other resources. We will be in touch with you in the coming weeks as this situation unfolds.
- However, if you are living in a household that we are delivering to, **PLEASE** take this opportunity to return any items to the visiting member of staff. You **MUST**:
  - place items in a securely fastened bag;
  - Name the bag clearly with your first name, surname and tutor group.

I am also attaching a list of free book sites, comics, author sites etc where you can choose what you would like to read. Hope you can find something interesting.

Please do keep in touch and take this opportunity to keep reading, it is a wonderful way to escape from lockdown! If you are in Year 7/8 you can also take the AR quizzes and earn class chart points.

Keep well and keep reading.

Yours faithfully

**Mrs Stokes**



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## Wiltshire Library

Not yet a member? You can join for free online and this will give you access to their online library.

<https://libraries.wiltshire.gov.uk/web/arena/join-the-library>



Wiltshire library members can download **eBooks** and **eAudiobooks** and read **eMagazines** by registering on the [Wiltshire RBdigital](https://libraries.wiltshire.gov.uk/web/arena/join-the-library) website or the RBdigital app with a valid library card number and email address.



Just some of the eMagazines that are available on the Wiltshire Libraries E-Systems.

## More ways to access ebooks, audio books and comics



<https://readon.myon.co.uk/library/browse.html>

Accelerated Reader books



<https://stories.audible.com/>

Audible have a free made it free to listen to a selection of their books whilst the schools are closed. Authors include Ransom Riggs, Julie Kagawa, Rachel Cohn, Darren Shan, Ally Carter, J.K. Rowling to name a few as well as some Classics.



## DC Comics including Batman, Superman & Wonder Woman

Until **Mon 8 June**, if you go online to [Read DC](#) you can access 50+ totally free comics in its '[DC Essential Reads](#)' section (34 first issues of some of its biggest stories), plus its [Free Comics](#) section. To access the comics, you'll need to log in with an Amazon or Comixology account and add the comics you'd like to your cart. The price of each of the free comics should be listed as \$0.00 and before you can click

'Complete Order' you'll need to tick a box agreeing that you won't

print the comics. Once you've completed your order, you'll be able to read the comics from your account. Alternatively, download the free DC app at the [App Store](#) for iOS or [Google Play](#) for Android. Once

you've signed in, scroll along to the 'Free' section where you'll be able to download the comics onto your device.



## Marvel Comics including Avengers, Spider-Man & Captain America

Until **Mon 4 May**, [Marvel Unlimited](#) (its digital comics subscription service) is giving access to a curated selection of comic books completely free – there's no payment required.

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Once you've opened the app, you'll see a red 'Free Comics' button on the landing page (see below) – this button will show all available free comic books for you to enjoy. Simply select



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## Digital version of 'Golden Beano' available to download

If you go online to classic comic [Beano](#), you can download its *Golden Beano* comic totally free. To download the comic, simply click/tap on the image and it'll open as a PDF. You can then print or download this to your device and it'll be yours to keep. *Golden Beano* is a collection of comic strips, puzzles and jokes from its archives over the last 80 years, and there will be a new version available to download each month.



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In the Location box, it says “Any Location.” Do not change.

In the School box, enter “**Follett eLearning, McHenry, IL**” and click Go!

To log in, click on the “Log In” button at the top right of the screen.

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Password: **follett**



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If you live nearer Swindon you may be a member of Swindon library and could join and access the above.

# Competitions



Foyles Young Poet 2020 – Poetry Society

<https://foleyoungpoets.org/>

Deadline 31<sup>st</sup> July 2020



Creative writing ink competitions

<https://creativewritingink.co.uk/writing-competitions/>

H.G. WELLS



Short Story Competition

**HG Wells Short Story Competition** - Theme Vision

<https://hgwellscompetition.com/>

Deadline 6<sup>th</sup> July 2020

## Activities and author interviews



Book quizzes

<https://www.booktrust.org.uk/books-and-reading/have-some-fun/quizzes/how-well-do-you-know-your-nursery-rhymes/>



Info about authors quizzes and puzzles

<https://clubs-kids.scholastic.co.uk/>



Every Child Deserves a Good Book



Fun thing to do activities and quizzes

<https://www.penguin.co.uk/puffin/>



WALKER  
BOOKS

Video and interviews with authors

<https://www.walker.co.uk/videos.aspx>