

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2025

Dear Parent/Guardian,

## A Library is Launched!



On Monday, our Team of Student Librarians joined Mr Hartley to cut the ribbon and open our brand new Library!

Surprisingly, libraries are not factored into new school builds, and so, over the course of the last year, much work has gone into fundraising and collecting a stock for our library. Further to this, over the last half term, staff and students have been readying the stock and ensuring processes are in place to create a well run library.

This has been vitally important to the River community. We recognise the power of confident reading and prioritise this across our curriculum. It is only right therefore, that we provide opportunities for students to access age-appropriate, engaging literature.

Students have been incredibly excited to visit the Library and loan books and there have been rich discussions about recommendations, as students share their favourite stories.

**But we need your help!** We have made a great start – but we have a way to go.

You can support us in stocking our library by sharing and ordering from our Amazon Wish List. A huge thank you to those parents who have already done so:

[https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/2HHI77O18A4VT?ref=wl\\_share](https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/2HHI77O18A4VT?ref=wl_share)

We also welcome donations of age-appropriate texts which are in a good condition. If you would like to donate texts, please do drop them off at the School Reception. Our Student Librarians will be more than happy to repurpose them onto our shelves!



The River Library is an example of our River Community coming together to do great things. Thank you to all of our families who continue to support this venture.

Best wishes,

Mrs L Billingham  
Deputy Headteacher



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