

# Why is reading for pleasure so important?

We read to know that we are not alone.  
C.S. Lewis  
1898-1963

"Books are the plane,  
and the train, and the road.  
They are the destination,  
and the journey.  
They are home."  
-Anna Quindlen

except be average in comparison to her saintly self. This is  
not his view.  
June would not be so rigid. June wouldn't be so cold.  
she did, permanently, let down her daughter's little heart. I  
I cannot possibly fill. But no one wants to think about  
that.  
My sister is dead and I'm still sitting there, up against  
her ghost. This is not even so. I'm sitting there, up against  
So why does it still hurt?  
The hurt winds its way through me and curls my fists at  
my side. I don't know how to get it out. I take the disc out  
of my CD player and throw it away. I take the disc out  
doesn't matter. I don't know how to get it out. I take the disc out  
onto the floor. I don't know how to get it out. I take the disc out  
After some pacing back and forth, I put the disc back in  
the player and turn the volume down. I take the disc out  
For the first time in a long time, it will be  
door and a giggle, or a snicker, or a chuckle. I can  
coax me down for dinner. It's so helpful, because all I  
wanted is space, and now that I have it, there's a lot of  
me that is just so tight. I don't know how to get it out of  
The idea of Christmas is so helpful. It's not even a  
MAGIC

\* Reading for pleasure has a greater influence on a child's cognitive development between the ages of 10 -16 than a parent's level of education.

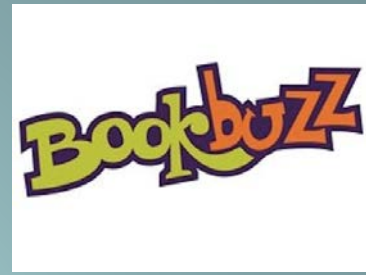
\* It improves a child's ability to take on and process new information

\* Research has shown that a child with a strong reading ability will have greater success with maths (IOE, 2013)

\* Reading books is the only out-of-school activity for 16 year olds that is demonstrably linked to securing managerial or professional jobs (The Reading Agency 2014)

*So, what can the LRC do to help?*





## **Bookbuzz!**

The LRC will gift each year 7 student with an amazing book of their choice!

## **Book Club**

Every Tuesday breaktime the library gets a touch quieter (rare) and we talk books! Whether they be funny, scary or sad we eat biscuits and have a catch up.

## **Homework Club**

Specifically for year 7 students, after school every Monday and Thursday 3.15-4.15pm

## **Extended Opening Hours**

The Library is open to students before, during and after school every single day.

## **Library Lessons - fortnightly**

All students will have a lesson once a fortnight in the Library

Contact me if you'd like help with:

- Accelerated Reader questions
- Book suggestions for your child
- Encouraging your child to read etc....

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