

DISCOVERY SPACE

Open from 8.00am to 5pm (Monday-Thursday)

8.00am to 12.00pm (Friday)

As part of the school's ongoing commitment to promoting literacy, self-study and reading, the library plays a vital role. This is an exciting time, as our new library has just opened, providing a spacious library on the ground floor. On the first floor you will find computers, an area for group study, a lecture space and of course our state of the art planetarium!

Before, during and after school, students may use the Discovery Space to borrow books, magazines and newspapers, have a quiet read, do homework and carry out private study in a comfortable and inviting working environment. We now also have 30 laptops which are available for student use throughout the day and after school. Students (and parents) are able to search our great and ever-growing collection of fiction and non-fiction books from home using our brand new library management system- Access It. This is available via Frog and allows students to gain access to thousands of e-books, academic essays and useful web-links for homework and revision.

During the school day the library is used across the curriculum to enable student development of reading and research skills, with Year 7 and 8 students having a dedicated English lesson in the library every fortnight. This gives the students the opportunity to borrow books, read independently and develop their literacy skills.

The library hosts many events throughout the year, including book sales and author visits as well as a World Book Week. Highlights have been; the Scholastic Half Price Book Fair, an author visit and book art competition (with prizes!).

After school the library hosts many extra-curricular clubs, including; Book Club, Manga Club, Young Enterprise, LPD (Law, Politics and Debating) Club and Card Club. We are always open to suggestion of new clubs and encourage students to let us know if they want to start up their own club.

Year 7's can also become a Library Assistant and later in Year 11 you can become a Prefect!

