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# READ ONLINE!

This issue highlights books to read online and features some of the amazing resources available through **Sora**. Turn to page 6 for links to additional websites full of stories, facts, poetry, competitions, blogs and much more...

Access to Ebooks and Audiobooks on a computer, tablet or smartphone is easy! Go to [soraapp.com](https://soraapp.com) or download the Sora app.

To log in for the first time, enter the setup code 'uksecondary' followed by 'Lymm High School' from the drop-down list. Type in your usual school email address and password to access your individual account.

All books are free and can be borrowed for 14 days. **The formats and fonts of most books can be changed to suit individual reading needs and a dyslexia-friendly font is also available.**

**Now there is even more reason to give Sora a try because every book downloaded and read will be rewarded with 1 hall point, & the top 3 borrowers each month will be awarded an additional 5 hall points!**

Take some time to explore and try something new! A quick guide to getting started with Sora is available at <https://bit.ly/2YhSN4i>

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# NEW BOOKS

Lots of new titles have been added to **Sora** since Lockdown 3 began, including new Manga and graphic novels, copies of the top six books from BookBuzz this year, and a range of cooking and baking books to inspire some new creations.

We want the Ebooks on Sora and hard copies on the ILC shelves to reflect your reading tastes so please get in touch with your suggestions. New Ebooks will appear as soon as they are purchased and hard copies can be borrowed from the ILC when school re-opens. If you have any ideas for books you can let us know at:

**[ilc@lymmhigh.org.uk](mailto:ilc@lymmhigh.org.uk)**

We can't promise to buy every title but we will try our best :)

## STAFF SUGGESTION

### *The Invisible Library*

By Genevieve Cogman

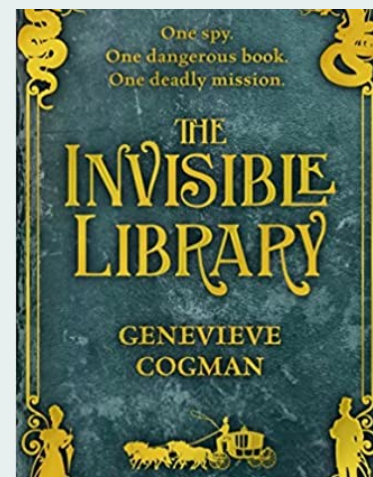
Book Review by Mrs K Cheney

This is the first book in a fantastic series that I really enjoyed and have re-read several times. It's an excellent read if you like mystery and adventure and it has a supernatural fantasy twist.

The amazing collection of well-written characters, includes spies, detectives, vampires, Fairies and dragons. The stories are fast-paced and set in brilliantly detailed parallel worlds.

This book is a great introduction to the series and each of the books left me wanting to read the next one straight away!

We can all benefit by escaping from the real world for a little while, particularly at the moment, and these books are the perfect place to do that.



*“It's a breath of fresh air ... with a companionable heroine in Irene, and a satisfyingly complex plot, The Invisible Library - the first of a series - is a book in which to wallow.” – Guardian*

# MAKE IT **BAKE** IT



*Is it time to get cooking?*

Why not get into the kitchen this week-end and try something new.

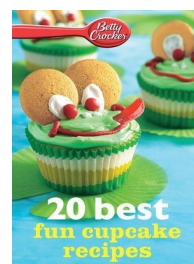
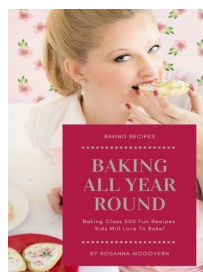
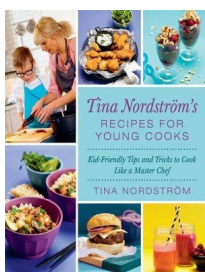
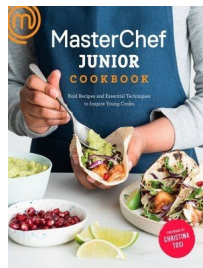
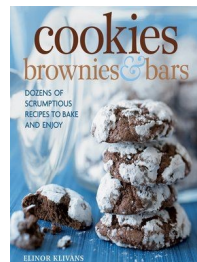
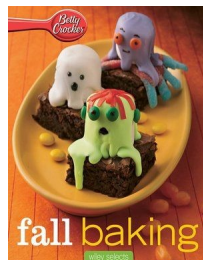
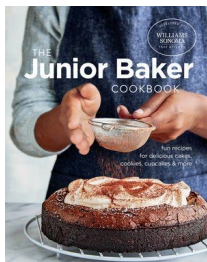
If you tried Veganuary you may need some fresh Vegan ideas for February; or maybe you could get creative with cake!



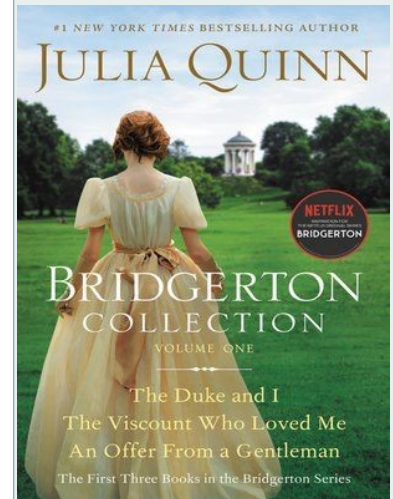
My family were inspired to make Kim-Joy's recipe for her fluffy Tangzhong cat buns. →

Maybe you could try some cute biscuits or bakes from one of the Great British Bake Off's most inspirational cooks!

Check out our top 10 cooking and baking Ebooks available on Sora now.



## New Adult Fiction...



A collection of the first three novels in New York Times bestselling author Julia Quinn's Bridgerton series set in Regency England—*The Duke and I*, *The Viscount Who Loved Me*, and *An Offer From a Gentleman*—now a series created by Shona Rhimes for Netflix.



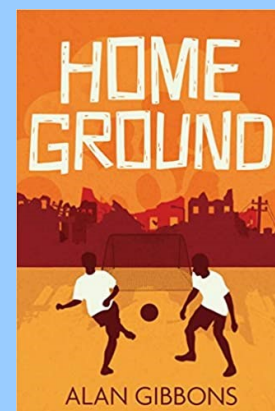


## Year 7 BookBuzz goes ahead ... and now with added Sora!

Lymm High School has taken part in the Book-trust's 'BookBuzz' scheme since it was launched in 2012 gifting over 2,600 books to our students. Bookbuzz provides a book for Year 7 students soon after their transition from primary to secondary school at a crucial time when attitudes towards reading are developed. Students choose their own book to keep from a list of 17 titles chosen by a panel of experts. The book cost is covered by school and books arrive in mid-December for distribution.

Although we couldn't invite Year 7 classes to the ILC to choose their books this year, each class was led through the book options by their Form Tutor and list of choices were returned to the ILC for collating and ordering. Most students received their books before the Christmas break with just a few waiting to be collected when school re-opens. You can explore more from BookBuzz at [Bookbuzz student zone](#) | [BookTrust](#) which offers blogs by Bookbuzz authors, competitions, and a BookBuzz quiz.

From the full choice of 17 books, 6 proved to be very popular and were the top choices through Year 7 as a whole. Anyone who wants to read one of the top 6 choices can now head to Sora where Ebook copies have been added to our school's collection. Ebooks can be downloaded for free onto a PC, tablet or phone.



# FEBRUARY IS LGBT+ HISTORY MONTH

LGBT History Month provides role models, builds community, and represents a civil rights statement about the contributions of the LGBT+ community.

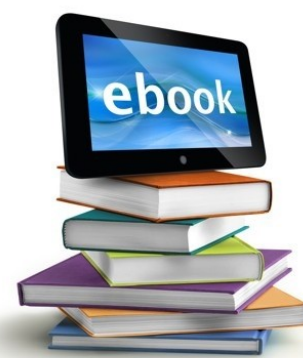
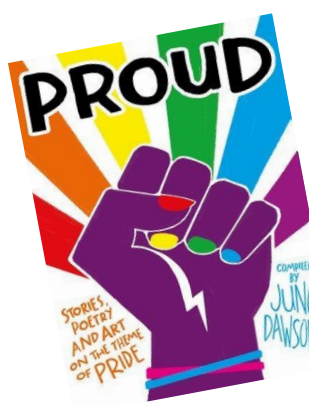
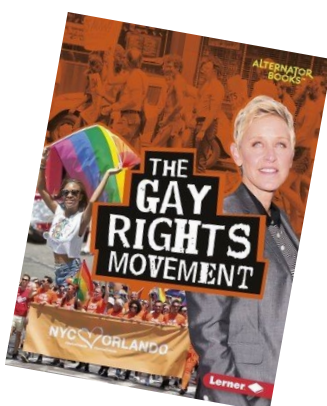
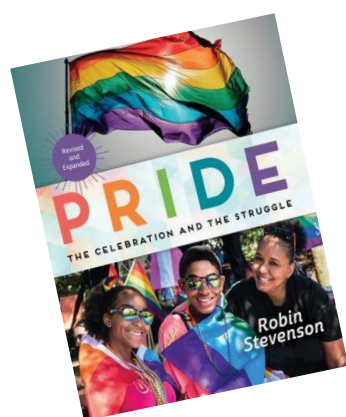
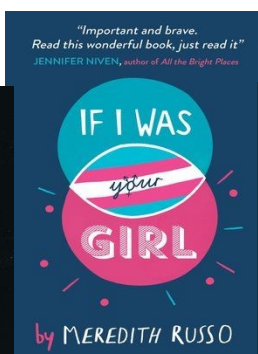
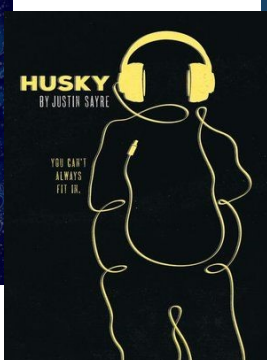
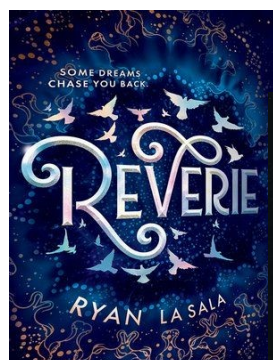
Students looking for articles relating to LGBT+ issues, or any other topic can access reliable online resources at [www.completeissues.co.uk](http://www.completeissues.co.uk). To access the site please enter our school username: **lymm** and the password: **library**



*"Allowing people to be who and what they are, without fear of prejudice is the hallmark of a civilised society"*

*Colette Douglas Home*

## Ebooks on Sora you might like to try...





# Reading and Literacy... Click to Try

If you are looking for more ideas on what to read or activities to try at home there are so many brilliant websites available ... this page gives you a taste of just a few....

Invent your own superhero, make a pop-up or miniature book and much more with **The British Library**:

[All activities - The British Library \(bl.uk\)](http://bl.uk)



Head over to **The Children's Poetry Archive** and explore interviews with modern day poets or sit back and listen to poems being read aloud at:

[Let's Explore Poets, Collections and Interviews | Children's Poetry Archive](http://childrenspetryarchive.org)

The **BookTrust** website is packed with reading ideas and tips to choose your next book. They also have some great draw along videos with top tips for budding illustrators:

[Have some fun | BookTrust](http://booktrust.org.uk)



The **LoveReading4Kids** website allows you to search over 300,000 books and authors. The site has so much to explore with blogs, competitions, special features and downloads. One link to create 'Your Mood Journal' follows top tips from Fearne Cotton's book:

[Download the Your Mood Journal activity pack! | LoveReading4Kids Kids Zone](http://lovereading4kids.org)



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