

Reading at Lees Brook

Even though the Library isn't working in its usual way this term, reading still remains of high importance to us in school and is still promoted to students through DEAR and within all lessons.

Changes made to Library systems:

-  4 week loan period
-  1 book per learner at any one time
-  Library currently closed to borrowers/ visitors
-  Use of a delivery service via the Reading Cloud to access Library books
-  Returning books: This will be accessed as the weeks go on so please ask your youngster to ask their teacher if they are unsure or email Miss Luker

During DEAR (on a Monday morning) and during the rest of the week, students will be encouraged to bring in their own reading books where possible; this can include fiction, non-fiction and/or autobiographies. Staff will be asked to check the books to ensure they are appropriate.

Borrowing books using the Reading Cloud

We have created a system where students can still have access to, and borrow, the range of books we have in our Library.

Each student will receive a personal login to the site called **Reading Cloud** which will be launched w/c Monday 2nd November in their English lessons.

- On this site students will be able to search through the catalogue of library books and reserve one that they would like to read.
- During this time only one book is allowed to be taken out by students instead of the previous two.
- Once reserved, if the book is 'in stock', Miss Luker will deliver the book to the student within two working days.
- If the book the student has reserved has already been taken out, they will receive this message and, once returned, 72 hours will be allowed for the book to be in quarantine then it will handed out again.
- Until further notice, any Library books taken out will have a four week loan period instead of the usual two weeks.
- For those students who have no internet access at home, a selection of titles will be bought to all English lessons for youngsters to look at and borrow.
- If a youngster's book gets damaged or lost please let Miss Luker know via email and they will be advised on what to do next.

Even though we are not running the Accelerated Reader Programme this year, learners will still be advised about books they should be reading based on their previous reading levels from testing during Library lessons. Learners will be told their levels by Miss Luker and also advised about appropriate content when selecting books.