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5.3 Literacy and reading promotion*

-  Book of the Week:
Promotion of a recently published title in the library and via social media every week, with themed selections including healthy breakfasts, LGBT history month, Black History Month, Non-Fiction November and Christmas.
-  BookBuzz:
2 lessons, including library induction, for Y7 forms.
-  Crongton Knights theatre trip:
An oversubscribed trip sadly cancelled at the last minute due to Covid.
-  Book Clubs:
Tuesday Book Group met before lockdown; Breakfast Book Club met in January before school; Y7 Book Group has run this term; launch of Staff Book Club in September.
-  Scholastic Book Club: We have generated over £100 commission this year.
-  Spellbinding: Cumbria Secondary Schools Book Award 2020 (promoted and run with Y7 students); Shortlisting for 2021 awards.
-  Click and Deliver service:
Nearly 500 requests fulfilled to date.
-  World Book Day:
Included dressing up, competitions, social media updates throughout the day and availability of World Book Day books.
-  Reading Rainbows and Extreme Reading promotions via social media.
-  Book boxes in Y7 forms.
-  New stock selection.
-  Regular student newsletters.

5.4 Media and information literacy instruction*

-  NewsGuard: Critical Literacy lessons delivered to Y7 and 8 in Citizenship.
-  Development of Padlets with Critical Literacy delivered to Y9 History.

5.5 Inquiry-based learning models*

-  Framework Of Skills for Inquiry Learning (FOSIL) training courses.

5.6 Technology integration*

-  New Library Management System (Accessit) selection and purchase.
-  Launch of QEGS elibrary:
117 loans in the first 2 weeks.
-  Participation in National Shelf Service initiative, promoting ebook borrowing during lockdown (CILIP).

5.7 Professional Development for Teachers*

-  Training and plans to deliver this once Accessit is in place.

* Taken from International Federation of Library Associations *School Library Guidelines* June 2015
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And...

-  Open-access provision pre-lockdown, including before school, breaks, lunchtimes and after school supervision.
-  Preparation for and management of Covid-safe re-opening.
-  Provision of Sixth form study area.
-  Occasional provision of Covid-safe space for students from other year groups.
-  Issuing of nearly 2,000 English and Science text books.
-  Management of overdues and returns for English text books.
-  Distribution of purchased English text books (Y10).
-  Facilitated book returns on exam days.
-  Provision of daily papers (pre-lockdown) and Herald subscription.
-  Submission of press releases and management of clippings.
-  Collaboration on Y5 catchment activity (in planning stages).

Participation in outside bodies

-  Membership of Schools Library Association.
-  Membership of Cumbria Schools Library Service - regular meetings with other school librarians.
-  Membership of Chartered Institute of Librarians and Information Professionals (CILIP).
-  Presentation at CILIP national conference.
-  Attendance at CILIP Youth Libraries Group conference.
-  Membership of CILIP Youth Libraries Group (NW) Committee.

Coming soon...

-  Implementation of Accessit Library Management System.
-  Virtual Author Visit with Danny Rurlander, author of award-winning "Spylark".
-  World Book Day, Thursday 4th March 2021.
-  Year 5 Transition Project: The Lost Child's Quest.
-  LGBT History Month.

and much, much more!