

Marsh Mail

World Book week at LVC's library

At LVC we are lucky to have a thriving and popular library. Run by our amazing librarian, Mrs Hay, the library serves as a hub for our student community in a variety of different ways. Dawn has been our librarian for over six years now and works tirelessly to instil in our students the love of literacy and reading. The reason, she says, she became the librarian in the first place.

To commemorate World Book Day, we welcomed Mark Woodley, an ex-LVC student and published author, for a visit. Mark entertained students across all year groups on World Book Day with a book signing and informal chat over lunch followed by a year 8 talk on the struggles of writing and becoming a published author. Students were enthralled by a giant-sized lost hammer of Darkerden which features in Mark's first book.

The library is first a centre for learning and love of books. Students in year 7 use the space for a paired reading initiative before school, where some of our Year 10 students sit down and listen to them read and support them in being more confident readers. The Lexia literacy programme for Years 7 to 10 helps students improve their grammar, comprehension techniques and ability to use language and new words. Homework club after school provides support and IT access for some of our students that may need to stay after the end of the school day.

The library is also very popular in the school's social times. In fact, it is so popular that the queue often reaches all the way down the corridor. Students can play chess, Warhammer and a variety of different games, as well as using the computers to help with their learning. Knit and Stitch on Thursdays provides an opportunity for students to talk and craft.

In the next few weeks, the library will host our infamous Harry Potter night for students in Year 7. Dressing up, games, Harry Potter crafts and a themed buffet make this night one the students always remember.