

20<sup>th</sup> January 2021

Dear Parents & Carers

**Re: Enfield Libraries Membership**

We hope you are all well under the circumstances.

Our continued commitment in supporting your child's development in literacy means we are continuing with library lessons through Google Classroom to Years 7 & 8 and promoting the importance of reading.

In library lessons this term we are promoting digital resources and encouraging your child/children to start a membership with Enfield Libraries offered by the London Borough of Enfield. This free public service will offer them access to many different resources including e-books so that they can continue to enjoy the benefits of reading.

Becoming a member of Enfield Libraries is very easy to do, however, will involve your child sharing personal details in the online application process, those of which that are compulsory are: first name and surname; gender; date of birth; residential address; and email address to receive notifications. They will then be given a username and PIN number to allow them access to the catalogue of e-books that can be borrowed on a desktop or using the Overdrive app on their mobile device.

We hope that you will encourage your child/children to join Enfield Libraries, if they are not a member already, it is suitable for the whole family.

In library lessons your child/children will be encouraged to become a member and borrow a new book from the digital catalogue as a homework activity during this term. If you do not want your child to take part, please let me know by return to [hha-library@chat.org.uk](mailto:hha-library@chat.org.uk) by Wednesday, 27<sup>th</sup> January 2021.

In the meantime, I have attached a copy of our updated e-book resource list that you and your child/children can use as a tool to support reading at this time and a promotional poster from Enfield Libraries. We hope that you will continue to encourage them to read daily and can find an opportunity to listen to them read to you at least twice a week.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you require further support or assistance regarding this.

Yours faithfully

Madam G Morris

**Librarian**





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## Free E-Reading & Useful Websites



### Instructions

The following websites are mainly free and can support your reading activity providing you have a device and internet access. You may need to register for some of the sites. Please ensure that you are staying safe online.

### Online Safety

[Parents](#)

[Children & Young People](#)

### E-Readers

**Enfield Library OneDrive** – free access if you already have a membership with all Enfield libraries. It's very easy to apply for membership to Enfield libraries if you don't have one, [apply here!](#)

<https://new.enfield.gov.uk/services/libraries/digital-library/>

#### **The Literature Network**

<http://www.online-literature.com/>

#### **Many Books**

<https://manybooks.net/>

#### **Open Library**

<https://openlibrary.org/>

#### **Project Gutenberg**

<https://www.gutenberg.org/>

### Audio Books (SEN)

**Calibre Audio** – Available for those with a visual disability.

<https://www.calibreaudio.org.uk/>

**Listening Books** (small fee required) – Audio books specifically for those with a disability or illness that prevents hard copy reading.

<https://www.listening-books.org.uk/>

**Lit2Go** - free online collection of stories and poems in Mp3 (audiobook) format.

<https://etc.usf.edu/lit2go/>

**Sync** – Audio Books

<https://www.audiobooksync.com/>

## **Limited Free Access during School Closure**

**Amazon Kindle** - The link below will direct you to a limited range of free titles.

[Free Kindle Books](#)

**Audible** – Currently offering a limited range of audio books for free. However, they have a large range of audio books for a monthly charge.

<https://stories.audible.com/start-listen>

## **Useful Websites**

**Apple & Snakes** - an archive of spoken word poetry.

<https://www.youtube.com/user/applesandsnakes?feature=CAoQwRs%3D>

**AR Book Find** – Use this database website to check if the books you're reading are on Accelerated Reader

<https://www.arbookfind.co.uk/default.aspx>

**Authorfy** – This site provides you with helpful resources by well-known authors to help you enjoy their books more and help you become a better writer.

<https://authorfy.com/>

**Authors Live** - Authors Live is a series of live webcasts, presented in partnership with Scottish Book Trust, featuring some of the biggest names writing books for children today.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episodes/p006v267/authors-live>

**BBC Bite Size** – A huge amount of resources including quizzes, videos & games.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize>

**Book Trust** – This site provides a huge amount of support for families and young people to help and encourage reading.

<https://www.booktrust.org.uk/>

**Coronavirus** – The following websites offer explanations about coronavirus in many languages including French & Turkish.

[Children's Commissioner](#)

<https://www.christineborst.com/>

[British Red Cross](#)

**International Children's Digital Library** – digital access to children's books aimed the age range 3-13 years old in 20 different languages including Arabic, Croatian, Polish, Portuguese & Swahili.

<http://en.childrenslibrary.org/>

**Love Reading 4 Kids** – A comprehensive site of reading lists and book reviews on children's literature.

<https://www.lovereadng4kids.co.uk/>

**Poetry by Heart** – a catalogue resource promoting classic and contemporary poetry through competitions.

<https://www.poetrybyheart.org.uk/>

**National Literacy Trust** – Virtual School Library: access to free e-books by popular authors videos and recommendations.

<https://wordsforlife.org.uk/virtual-school-library/>

**Oak National Academy** – The National Literacy Trust has collaborated with authors to provide a free and weekly e-book and activities.

<https://library.thenational.academy/>

**World Book Day** – Another great resource for all ages with extracts and author videos.

<https://www.worldbookday.com/>

**Young Minds – tips and mental health on dealing with your mental health.**

<https://youngminds.org.uk/>

This is not an exhaustive list, there are many other platforms such as YouTube and many author's websites that offer different resources so feel free to try them too.

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# **Enfield Digital Library Services for Children and Teens**

**Access free eBooks, eAudiobooks,  
learning resources, digital magazines  
and comics**

<https://new.enfield.gov.uk/services/libraries/digital-library/>

You can access eBooks and eAudiobooks via the **OverDrive** and **Libby** browser-based services and apps.

OverDrive also has dedicated reading rooms for children and teenagers with specially selected titles.



<https://llc.overdrive.com/library/youth>

<https://llc.overdrive.com/library/teens>

**OverDrive**



The **uLIBRARY** and **BorrowBox** apps include eAudiobook titles for children and teens. You can also join the Bookworms Book Club, uLIBRARY's online book club for young listeners, with a new title selected every month.



In addition to eBooks and eAudiobooks, you can access magazines and comics geared towards children and teenagers on the **RBdigital** browser-based platform and app, including National Geographic titles for younger readers.

**rb digital**



You can visit the **PressReader** website or use the app to find educational magazines on history and science, as well as children's titles in multiple languages.



There are several online learning resources available including **Britannica Online**, which has a dedicated Student category for children aged 10-14, as well as a Junior category for those aged 5-10.

<https://new.enfield.gov.uk/services/libraries/digital-library/#5>



The charity **Seeing Ear** runs **The National Accessible Library**, which includes downloadable books in a variety of formats for children and young adults with visual impairments and dyslexia.

<http://www.accessiblelibrary.org.uk/>

**For assistance accessing these resources, please email [digital.library@enfield.gov.uk](mailto:digital.library@enfield.gov.uk)**

**You can also find us on social media:**

