

Mt Roskill Intermediate School Library

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Hi from the MRI Library for Term 2, 2020!

You will have had plenty of time to read over the past few weeks, so we hope you have made the most of it. Keep in mind your reading goal for this year and practice, practice, practice!

In this newsletter, we have some new books for you consider, links to some webcomics and book reviews. If you would like to contribute, feel free to email your book reviews, new book and weblink suggestions through to me. If you have a photo of you reading in your favourite reading nook, send that through too.



I had some time to help my daughter build a 3D jigsaw of 'The Burrow' from Harry Potter.

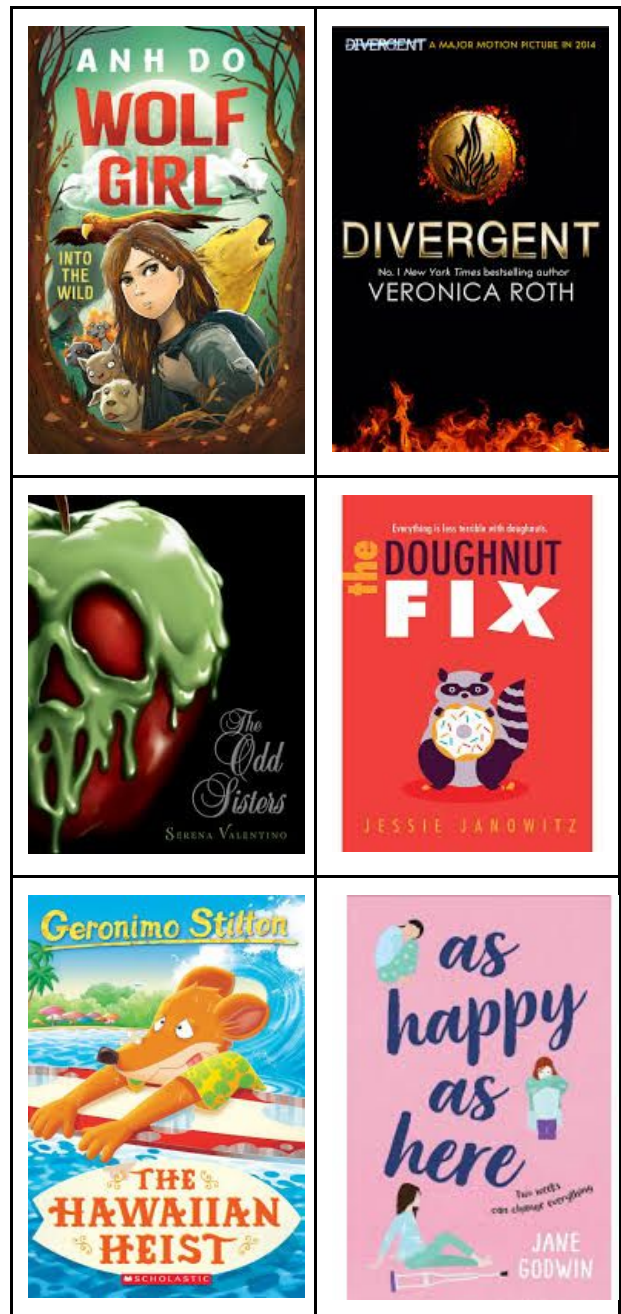
We did it while listening to an audio book.

If you haven't yet discovered Auckland Libraries ebooks and audiobooks, look for the instructions at the end of this newsletter.

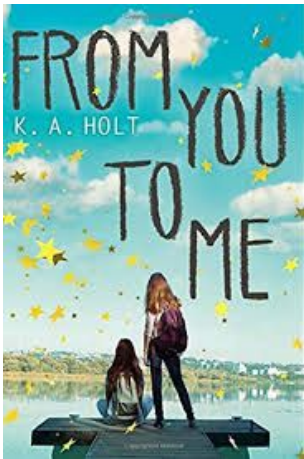
Happy Reading!
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NEW BOOKS

We will have a pile of new books for you when the Library reopens, so here are a few titles to get you interested:



From you to me by K.A. Holt
 Review by Ivy, Room 22



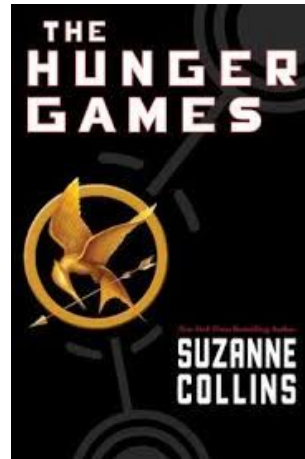
I absolutely loved this book. Amelia Peabody is the main character and she had a tragic loss a few years ago. You see, she lost her sister, Clara, in the lake where she lives.

Amelia starts the 8th grade as a new person and she gets a letter from Clara, her sister. Clara wrote to herself in 6th grade to her future self. Now Amelia is trying to do everything that Clara never got to do and one of the things is to ask a boy, Billy, to a dance but when she finds out who it is, she is completely flabbergasted that it was one of her friends.

Wonder why there are Stars on the front cover? Well it has something to do with the 8th grade prank she does with everyone that she has become friends with.

This book is filled with excitement and mystery, and shows how losing someone can make you admire the little things in life.

The hunger games by Suzanne Collins
 Review by Anna, Room 29



Hunger Games is the first book in the “Hunger Games” trilogy. The story is about two people from each district (12 districts in total) selected with no option but to survive and fight in a murdering game which lasts until the last person is alive.

This book is full of plot twists from every angle. Once you finish a chapter you will not be able to resist reading the next. The book is divided into 3 parts, first is “the tributes”, which is about being a tribute and meeting the other tributes. The second part is “the games” and that’s when the games start and show Katniss’s perspective. And finally the last part is “the victor” which concludes the games and reveals who won.

There is a romantic and heart breaking twist to the ending which makes history in the games. The book is filled with love, pain and thrilling moments in every part. I personally love the storyline of the Hunger Games and the way the author describes the scenes. The way Suzanne Collins describes the scenes in full detail makes me feel as if I’m in it, which no book has made me feel.

This book is a great teens book and I HIGHLY recommend reading this book.

<p>Unite against COVID-19</p>	<p>Looking for information on Covid-19</p> <p>Go to the source of official information here: https://covid19.govt.nz/</p>
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WEBCOMICS

Here is a list of webcomics you might like to try for something different to read:

Wormworld Saga

<https://wormworldsaga.com/>

Still reeling from the loss of his mother, Jonas escapes into his vivid daydreams. After making his way through a portal in his grandmother's strange painting, he finds himself lost in a fantasy world, unable to return.



Breaking Cat News

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

House cats Elvis, Puck, and Lupin report on such breaking news stories as "The people are missing!" and "There's a box with a towel inside it on the kitchen table."

Select 'Past Reports' for a list of topics or click the random button you will find at the bottom of each comic:



Homestuck

<https://www.homestuck.com/story>

This webcomic follows John Egbert, who on his 13th birthday plays a video game that unleashes the apocalypse.

Scared by the Bell

https://www.theduckwebcomics.com/Scared_by_the_Bell/5533226/

Though being the new kid is never easy, it's especially hard for Peter, an average kid whose classmates include a mummy, a pumpkinhead, and a skeleton.

EBOOKS

Looking for books to read... The best option is to borrow ebooks from **Auckland Libraries**..



Firstly, are you a member of Auckland Libraries?

YES, I already have a Auckland Libraries card, then go to the ebooks Kids and Teens collection here:

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

When you choose a book, you can log in with your library card number, and can start reading in your browser.

NO, I am not a member of Auckland Libraries...

You can join really easily with just an email address - if you don't have a personal email address, your school one should work.

This is the link to join, there is a 'start' button at the bottom of the page:

<https://www.aucklandlibraries.govt.nz/Pages/join-the-library.aspx#Start>

When you have joined Auckland Libraries, and started reading books, you do have the option of downloading an app, such as Overdrive or Libby so that your book becomes a bit more portable, especially on a phone - Auckland Libraries has a guide for the apps:

<https://www.aucklandlibraries.govt.nz/Pages/overdrive-ebook-01.aspx>

Auckland Libraries also have audiobooks, if that is something you are interested in as well.

<https://auckland.overdrive.com/library/kids/collection/237894>

I'll have other ebook options in the next newsletter.