

# LIBRARY NEWS



THORNDEN SCHOOL



## WHAT'S HAPPENING?

The new Year 7 students have visited the library to become familiar with SORA - our online reading resource which has a wide range of books, audiobooks and magazines. Our printed resources have been popular too with a large number of students borrowing.

Remember -  
Reading takes you around the world!



Collection Focus  
Murder Mystery

Featured Author  
Terry Brooks

Featured Books



## EBOOKS – SORA

Don't forget to check out this resource!

All students (and members of staff) have access to the Thornden Sora to borrow ebooks, emagazines and eaudiobooks. There's a huge selection, with new titles being added regularly.



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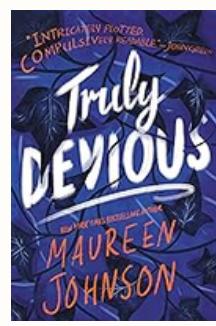
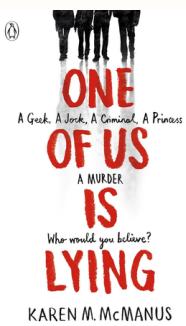
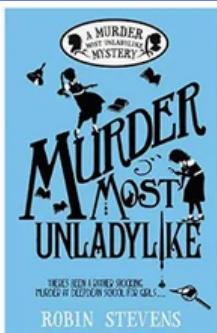
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GENERAL  
OPENING  
HOURS

Monday to Friday  
8:00am to 3:30pm

# COLLECTION FOCUS: MURDER MYSTERY BOOKS



Teen murder mystery books offer gripping plots, from classic whodunits to modern thrillers, with popular choices including Holly Jackson's *A Good Girl's Guide to Murder* series, Karen M. McManus's *One of Us Is Lying*, Katherine Woodfine's *The Sinclair's Mysteries* and Taylor & Rose series with their quick moving plots appealing both to newcomers and long-time devotees, Robin Stevens' *A Murder Most Unladylike* Collection, alongside options like Maureen Johnson's *Truly Devious* for intricate puzzles.

## C2 COMPUTER ROOM LOCATED IN LIBRARY AREA



C2 has a complete new set of 24 computers and therefore is now only available for class use supervised by their teacher. However, Year 11 students are able to utilise the library - mornings, break/lunch times and after school as they prepare/revise for their Trial and GCSE exams so they are not disturbed by others.

- The Library is also a **Never Seen Never Heard** no phone zone so students are reminded to keep their mobile phones in their bags.
- **C1 in the Art Block is available for students at lunch times for homework use.**

# OCTOBER OPEN EVENING

The Open Evening is always a resounding success with parents of current Year 6 and many Year 5 students eager to see what Thornden has to offer.

In the Library our table displays focus on current fiction & Non fiction additions, Graphic Novels, SORA ebooks and magazines, Library Club and School Library Service Moving On recommended reading books for transition from primary to secondary school.

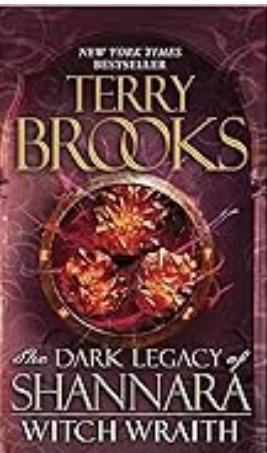
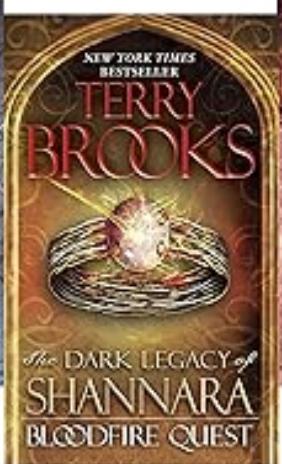
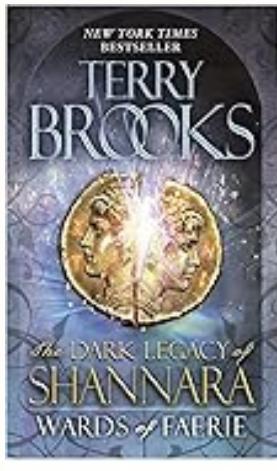
As part of our Graphic novels display we asked students to give our Library Dragon a new name and we are pleased to announce that **FLAMEO DRAGON** has been chosen from all of the entries. Thank you to everyone who participated.





## CELEBRATING TERRY BROOKS

- A writer since high school and heavily influenced by William Faulkner, it took him seven years to finish writing *The Sword of Shannara*, which published in 1977. It became the first work of fiction to ever appear on the New York Times trade paperback bestseller list, where it remained for over five months.
- He published *The Elfstones of Shannara* in 1982 and *The Wishsong of Shannara* in 1985, both bestsellers.
- Since that time, he has written numerous novels in the Shannara, Landover, Word/Void, and Viridian Deep series, including being hand-selected by George Lucas to write the novelization of *Star Wars: The Phantom Menace*, which hit #1 on the New York Times bestseller list.
- Terry has now launched into Graphic Novels with the introduction of *Dark Wraith of Shannara*.



## SOME OF THE EXCITING NEW BOOKS

### Powerless

Only the extraordinary belong in the kingdom of Ilya . . . The exceptional. The Elites. The Elites have possessed powers for decades, gifted to them by the Plague, while those born Ordinary are just that, banished from the kingdom and shunned from society.

No one knows this better than Paedyn Gray, an Ordinary posing as an Elite. When she unsuspectingly saves one of Ilya's princes, Kai Azer, she's thrown into the Purguing Trials, a brutal competition to showcase her 'Elite' powers.

### Powerful

Adena and Paedyn have always been inseparable. Fate brought them together when they were young, but friendship ensured they'd always protect each other and the home they built in the slums of Loot. But now Paedyn – an Ordinary – has been selected for The Purguing Trials, which means almost certain death.

Now alone in Loot, Adena must fend for herself. After attempting to steal, a mysterious man from the market comes to her rescue. Mak's shadowy past and secretive power set him apart from the other low-level Elites of Loot. As the pair team up to see their loved ones before the Trials begin, the quest tests their loyalty, love, and lives...

### Reckless

The kingdom of Ilya is in turmoil...

After surviving the Purguing Trials, Ordinary-born Paedyn Gray has killed the King, and kickstarted a Resistance throughout the land. Now she's running from the one person she had wanted to run to.

Kai Azer is now Ilya's Enforcer, loyal to his brother Kitt, the new King. He has vowed to find Paedyn and bring her to justice.

Across the deadly Scordes, and deep into the hostile city of Dor, Kai pursues the one person he wishes he didn't have to. But in a city without Elites, the balance between the hunter and hunted shifts – and the battle between duty and desire is deadly.

