

Keeping our children reading

As we are sure you will agree, reading is an essential part of your child's development. Evidence suggests that children who read for pleasure each day perform better academically, develop a broader vocabulary, increase their general knowledge and have a better understanding of other cultures. (Pearson 2020)

Furthermore, reading for pleasure can have a positive effect on our children's mental health and wellbeing – this is true for adults too and especially important in challenging and uncertain times!

To ensure that all students have access to reading resources during this time, please find below details of our partnership with Halton Libraries and information on other remote and online reading initiatives.

General reading ideas and resources

Please follow the Wilson Centre twitter feed, where we will post and retweet the many wonderful ideas/ links to sites to keep our young people reading during this time.

Wilson Centre Twitter: [@Stspnp_WilsonCT](https://twitter.com/Stspnp_WilsonCT)

Halton Libraries

- All students at Saints Peter and Paul are members of Halton Libraries. Although Library buildings are currently closed, students have access to Halton Libraries' vast online catalogue, which includes ebooks, audiobooks, magazines and newspapers.
- [Halton Libraries website: https://library.haltonbc.info/](https://library.haltonbc.info/)

Library Login

- Username/Library card number = long number, e.g. 2424800349917
- PIN (4 digits) = date and month of your birthday, e.g. 1101 (birthday 11 January)

Please contact Mrs Quick via the school email if you need assistance:
quickc@saintspeterandpaul.halton.sch.uk

eBooks and Audiobooks

- On the Library homepage, scroll down to 'eBooks and eAudio'
- Click on the 'eBooks and eAudio' link
- Follow the simple instructions and download the free [BorrowBox](#) app.
- Once the app is downloaded, search for Halton Libraries, enter your library login number, PIN and (school) email address.

- Borrow up to 6 e-books and audio books on multiple devices. No late return fines and a great choice of titles and authors.
- There are also children's e-audio and children's e-books as well as titles for young adults.

eMagazines and eNewspapers

- On the Library homepage, scroll down to 'Digital'
- Click on the 'Pressreader' link
- Click the yellow box to log in using your library card. (You must use the library card option to get free access).
- Select your library. Click into the drop down menu and type Halton Library. Click on Halton Library.
- Enter your library login number and PIN.
- You can scroll across the homepage for titles.
- To search, use the search bar in the top right corner or click onto the '3 lines' icon to search by publication/country/category.
- Click on the title and click the 'heart' symbol to save to 'My Publications'.