

# CHECK IT OUT!

WHHS library  
newsletter #17



Welcome to the WHHS library newsletter. Keeping you up-to-date with all the latest library news!

## Congratulations

Congratulations to our



### WORD MILLIONAIRES

**Nikol Taseva**  
**Sophie Burrell**

Don't forget to take the quiz at school when you finish reading a book.



## AR Class Challenge

*Year 7 & 8 spring term winners*

**7ae2 Miss Alexander**

**Most quizzes passed**

**7ae5 Mrs Cox**

**Highest word count**

**7ae1 Mrs Iles**

**Most quizzes & word count**

**8ae5 Mrs Iles**

**Most quizzes passed**

**8ae5 Mrs Iles**

**Highest word count**

**8fi1 Mrs Moynihan**

**Most quizzes & word count**

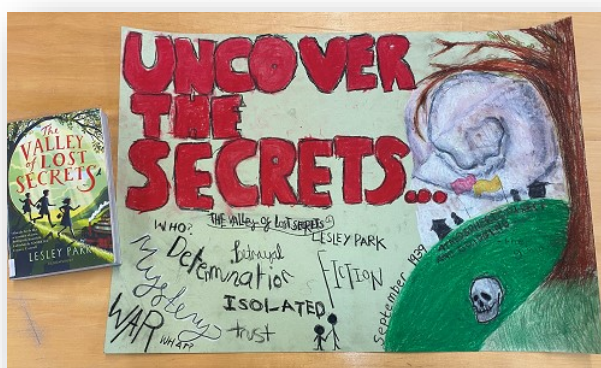
## Pupil Library Assistants

**At West Hatch we are very fortunate to have a number of students who regularly volunteer to help in the school library. 8 students were selected to attend a Pupil Library Assistant Training Day at The Elmgreen School.**

The students covered essential training from topics including data protection, health and safety, and customer service. They answered questions based on different scenarios and shared ideas with other schools. This was followed by presentations from each school highlighting the best thing about their school library.



There was also a creative task where students had to design a poster for a book, title was supplied on the day so there was no preparation. The team all worked extremely well together, from discussing ideas to a submitting a completed design using oil pastels. They all got involved! The judges were clearly impressed with their creativity and awarded West Hatch first prize, a box full of new books!



The afternoon included a talk from author **Sufiya Ahmed** followed by a Q&A session. For many, this was their first experience of an author visit which they found inspiring.

## National Reading Champions Quiz

As part of our World Book Day celebrations, we entered two teams in the National Reading Champions Quiz. The students were so excited to be taking part in a national competition and there was a real buzz around the library. It was great to see how both teams had prepared and worked together on this Quiz. They should all be extremely proud of their achievements!



The quiz consisted of 80 questions - eight different categories with ten questions each, all from the wonderful world of literature. It was a challenging but exciting event for our students, an opportunity to use their wider reading knowledge in competition against other schools.

18 teams battled it out for a place in the finals. West Hatch Team B came a respectable joint 5<sup>th</sup> place with West Hatch Team A not far behind in joint 8<sup>th</sup> place.

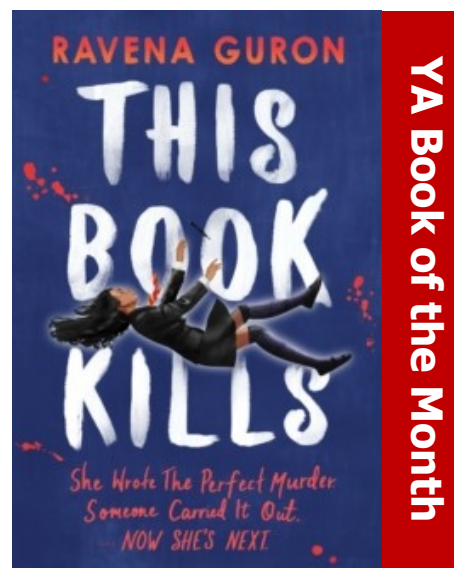
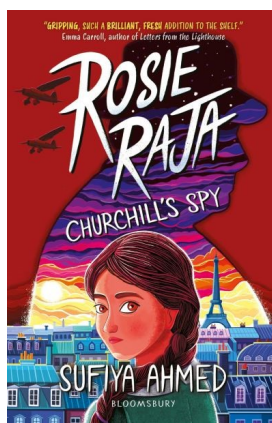


## Redbridge Book Award: Shortlisted

### Rosie Raja Churchill's Spy

by Sufiya Ahmed

July, 1941. Rosie Raja is half-Indian and half-English. She has always lived in India, so when her mother passes away and she moves to England. Life changes dramatically for Rosie when she discovers that her army captain father is actually a spy for the British government. She can't bear to be left behind so she stows away in his plane. Finding herself in occupied France, Rosie is soon drawn into the struggle against the Nazis. With new allies and new enemies at every turn, she must help her father complete his mission, and more importantly... make sure they both get home alive.



### This Book Kills by Ravena Guron

When Hugh, one of the most popular and rich kids in Jess Choudhary's school is found dead, the student body is left reeling and wondering who the murderer could be...

Jess, a student under strict instructions to keep her record clean or risk losing her scholarship, finds herself at the centre of the investigation when it's revealed that Hugh died in the exact same way as a character in a short story that she wrote. And then Jess receives an anonymous text thanking her for the inspiration. With time running out, Jess knows if she doesn't solve this mystery she'll finally have something in common with Hugh.

She'll be dead too.

### You tell me

Not sure what to read next?  
Get in touch and I will hand-pick a great selection of books just for you.

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