

ibrary

GATE

Stromness Academy

A Brief History

- Opened in 1987 along with main teaching block
- Purpose built
- Two floors
 - Lower Library
 - Upper Library
- Located centrally in the school







Mrs Frances Sinclair BA(Hons). MCLIP.

- Chartered Librarian
- In post for 32 years

Interests

- Reading especially fantasy, historical, Orkney folklore
- Fantasy Cartography (map making) and drawing
- Dungeons & Dragons and other role-playing games
- Miniature painting
- Writing (D&D games and world-building)
- Horse riding
- Gardening
- Cycling & walking
- Video games



Behaviour Expectations

Students are expected to be RESPONSIBLE & RESPECTFUL:

- Visit the library to read, use resources, study, do homework or use computers or take part in organised lunchtime activities.
- Behave calmly and quietly and be considerate of other users.
- No food or drink. Keep water bottles in your school bag.
- Switch off mobile phones. Keep them in your school bag.
- Get all resources issued by the Librarian before you take them out of the library.
- Leave the library neat and tidy with resources returned to the shelves and chairs pushed under tables.





Opening Times

8:35am - 4pm Mon, Weds, Thurs 8:35am - 4:45pm Tues 8:35am - 3:00pm Fri

Lunch - 13:15 - 13:55 (12:25 - 13:05 Friday) Closed during interval

Limited access 12.30 - 13:00 (Librarian's lunch. No book borrowing or returns please)



What can you use the library for during classtime?

School Work

- Class visits
- Research
- Reading (inc. Accelerated Reader)
- Study
- Computers
- Library & Information Literacy
- Visiting speakers or online author events



What can you use the library for during leisure time? Before registration, lunchtime, after school on Tuesday





- Homework / schoolwork
- Reading
- Board games
- Role playing games
- Quiet chat / discussion
- Helping in the library
- Miniature painting
- Magic the Gathering
- Colouring in
- Wellness Wednesday

What is in the Library?

- Books
- Magazines
- Computers (PCs & Laptops)
- Board games
- Stationery (pens, pencils, etc)
- 2 Samsung tablets for eBooks, internet access
- A qualified Librarian to help you

You can suggest new books for the library.







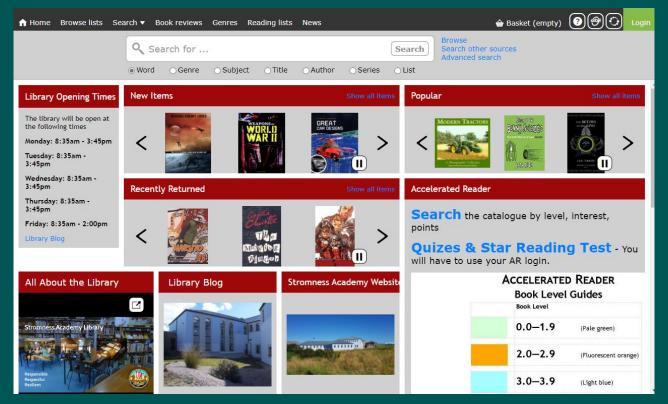
OLIVER The Online Catalogue

https://tinyurl.com/SALibOLIVER

Search for books by keyword, subject, genre, reading lists.

Search for Accelerated Reader books by book level, interest level, and points.

Login to your account to check your loans and overdues, create your own reading lists, write book reviews, and reserve books.



Username: Firstname.Surname

OR

The barcode number on your library card

Password: get it from Mrs Sinclair

Your password should be changed!

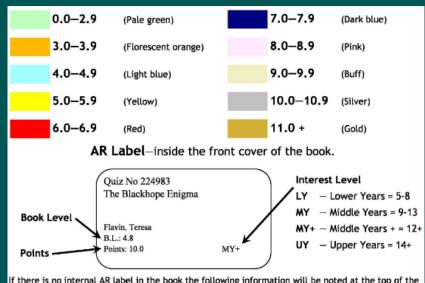
Accelerated Reader

Improve reading & literacy to help in all aspects of school and life beyond school

- S1-3 20 minutes of reading a day in subjects on a rota
- Expected to have a book with you
- Teachers will also read during this time
- Borrow books from library or bring them in from home
- Once a term Star Reading Test to assess reading age and levels
- Read within or above your level to help improve your reading
- Online quizzes on finishing a book
- Coloured labels on spine indicate book level and that the book has a quiz.



https://tinyurl.com/ARStromness



If there is no internal AR label in the book the following information will be noted at the top of the very first page:

Book Level / Interest Level / Points

Eg. 5.1/MY/8.0

Fiction & Non-Fiction

Fiction - arranged alphabetically by author

- Novels
- Graphic novels
- Picture books
- 'Short & Snappy' shorter books, often Dyslexia friendly
- Lots of genres
 - Horror
 - Classics
 - Teen
 - Humour
 - Fantasy
 - Dystopia
 - etc.





Non-fiction

Facts and information for research and leisure reading.

Arranged by subject using code numbers called Dewey Numbers.

Lots of topics.

- Farming
- Sport
- Animals
- Environment
- Supernatural
- Cars
- etc.

Reference Section - arranged by subject code number

Reference Books

(red spine labels)

Dictionaries, encyclopaedias, atlases, etc.

Use in library or borrow for one period to use in class.

Orkney Books (yellow spine labels)

Resources about Orkney books, magazines *The Orcadian* newspaper, Fereday projects, archive

Local history

topic boxes

Borrow for up to three days.







Borrowing Books

All books should be returned or renewed before any holidays. Books and other resources MUST be taken to the desk and checked out before you leave the library.

How many?

- 1st 3rd year = FOUR items at a time
- 4th year = SIX items at a time
- 5th & 6th year & Staff = EIGHT items at a time

Always bring your library card to the library. Or back-up barcode in planner (S2-6).



How long? You can borrow fiction or non-fiction for FOUR weeks Reference = ONE period Orkney Books = THREE days Short Loan [Project books] = ONE period You can renew a book up to two times

The Three 'Rs'

Returns

Return books ON or BEFORE the return date stamped on the date label the book.

Hand the book directly to the Librarian or place in the box in front of the issue desk.

<u>Tell the Librarian</u> you have returned a book to the box. If the Librarian is not available come back later to return the book

- DON'T leave it lying on a table it might get lost.
- DON'T put it on the shelving trolley.
- DON'T put it back on the shelves.

It must be properly returned or you might find that you will get overdue notices about a book you thought you had returned or you might even have to pay for it.

REMEMBER! TELL THE LIBRARIAN YOU HAVE RETURNED A BOOK.

Renewals

If you haven't finished a book by the return date you can ask the Librarian to renew it.

It will be stamped with a new return date.

You must bring the book to the library to get it renewed.

Reservations

You can reserve a book if someone else has it out. Use the forms on the Library Team in Glow or speak to the Librarian.

If the book you want is not in the library we can try to get it from The Orkney Library OR purchase it if it is suitable for the library.

The Librarian will tell you when the book arrives.

Always bring your library card to the library.

Computers & Tablets





- 11 desktop PCs (10 in lower library; 1 in upper library)
- Internet access
- 2 Android tablets
- Other laptops when extra are needed for a class

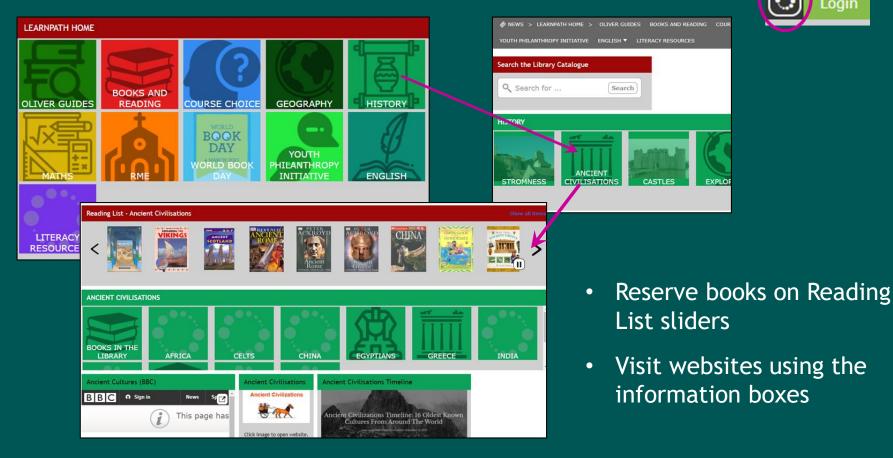
Book computers in advance. Sign the log book prior to use.

During break times, work always gets priority.

Remember to log out of GLOW, Teams or any other website you have had to log in to.



Find information (PDFs, websites, videos, images) on specific topics for your subjects and research projects, course choices, books & reading, etc.



Activities & Events

The library runs a number of activities and events during lunchtime, Friday activities and after school on a Tuesday



- Dungeons & Dragons and other Role Playing Games
- Magic the Gathering
- Board Games chess, draughts, Connect 4, etc.
 - Pupil Library Assistants
 - Colouring-in
 - Miniature Painting
 - Wellness Wednesday
 - National Poetry Day
- Spooky Happenings (Storytelling)
- Book fairs / clubs
- Excelsior Award shadowing (graphic novels)
- World Book Day
- Easter egg hunts
- Competitions

Library Online

Blog: http://tinyurl.com/Library-StromnessAcademy

Twitter: https://twitter.com/LibrarySA

Webpage: https://tinyurl.com/SALibWp



Teams:

- Library All pupils and staff are added to the Stromness Academy Library Team
- Dungeons & Dragons pupils taking part in the activities are added
- Miniature Painting pupils taking part in the lunchtime activity are added

School Online

Website: www.stromnessacademy.org.uk/

Facebook: www.facebook.com/stromnessacademy

