Welcome to ADLIB BGS Library eNews, where we keep you up to date with all the latest news, events and happenings in our libraries.

BGS150 Staff Reads Challenge

The BGS150 Staff Reads Challenge was a follow-on from the BGS150 Student Reading Challenge, where each English class across the School was challenged to read 150 books.

As we all know, the ability to read, comprehend and interpret meaning is critical to success at school and throughout life, and reading for pleasure helps students gain this skill.

The Middle School students took up the challenge with great enthusiasm and, during the first half of the year, 26 classes read 4233 books from 30 different categories such as:

- A book by an author from a country you’ve never visited
- A book by an author with the same first or last name as you
- A childhood classic you’ve never read
- A book recommended by a teacher

Teachers reading and talking about their reading is also a vital part of encouraging students to read, and so we sent out the challenge to staff as well, to record what you were reading during Australia-wide Schools’ Book Week.

As a result, 102 staff members shared favourite authors, recommended reads and what you were currently enjoying. We certainly have some very well-read and erudite staff here at Grammar.
To check out what your colleagues are enjoying visit the BGS150 Staff Read pages on the Library website. You might just find your next great read!

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![Book Covers]

**Bernadette's Guide to Spring Holiday Reading**

Bernadette has compiled the best new fiction and non-fiction titles to take a break with over the upcoming holidays.

With new releases from #1 bestselling author James Patterson and former US President Bill Clinton, Anthony Horowitz and Veronica Roth, there is plenty to choose from before school’s out.

For our eBook lovers don’t forget to browse OverDrive or ePlatform for the latest digital titles. Connect via the Library homepage.

SPRING READING

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**BGS Open Day success!**

With 1200 visits through the doors, our BGS Library was a not-to-be missed destination for families and curious book worms.

**Students meet Veronica Roth at BWF2018**

BGS Library staff caught Trent Dalton two-time Walkley Award winner & author of Boy Swallows Universe at this year's Writers Fest. Trent was warm, humble, engaging and open about his experiences growing up in the Brisbane suburbs.
Both visitors and students were fascinated by the zSpace, VR headsets, FrankenToys and film studio capabilities offered to BGS students.

Opening up the library to parents and future pupils enabled staff to showcase the wonderful activities and programs the library delivers.

Some of our Year 8 students also attended the Veronica Roth talk, author of the hugely popular *Divergent* book and movie series. Veronica shared stories about her life and what inspires her to write. She also signed copies of her books and met some very happy BGS students.