Dear Parent/Guardian,

Pupils are now able to borrow eBooks and Audiobooks for a trial period from ePlatform, an exciting new eBook and audiobook library, found here: https://exhallgrange.eplatform.co

Access to this platform will expire on the 30/11/2021.

We are trialing this service as part of our school library's focus on increasing accessibility in reading, and developing a supportive casual reading culture within the school. This is an exciting opportunity to explore what is available within these areas, and gain pupil's feedback.

The ePlatform library catalogue is full of bestselling, popular fiction titles and will offer pupils a 24/7 access to a digital library in addition to the print library in school. Pupils can have 2 books out on loan at any one time, and they will automatically return after 2 weeks, or can be returned early in order to loan a new book.

We have age-restricted the books, so pupils can only read books that are age appropriate. However, please be aware these are not individual specific, and follow general library age guidelines so may include content individual pupils may struggle with.

Text can be enlarged, and page colouring or dyslexia friendly fonts can be set.

Books can be read or listened to on a computer, laptop, or through the free App on tablets or smartphones.

Login Details

Username: The same as Accelerated Reader. In capital letters, the first letter of the first name, and the first 4 letters of the surname (eg. EGRANG)

Password: read1

Reading through the App

To download the App, search "ePlatform" in the App store and download. Click on the app and you will then need to search for the library which will be 'Exhall Grange". Once you start typing, it will bring up the school on the list.

Click the 3 little lines in the top left corner and select sign in. Enter the username and password assigned and, as above, search for a book to read. Using the App, the books will be temporarily downloaded to the device so children will not need internet connections once the book has been loaned to read.

Accelerated Reader levels are included within the platform, so pupils can find books suitable for their AR level. This is listed as ZPD not colour.

For reference, here is both:

Accelerated Reader Book Level Guide

- 🟢 0.0 – 1.9
- 🔴 2.0 – 2.9
- 🔵 3.0 – 3.9
- 🟡 4.0 – 4.9
- 🔴 5.0 – 5.9
- 🔵 6.0 +

For example, if a pupil's AR colour is "Yellow", they should select ZPD 4.0-4.9.

We hope pupils will enjoy this opportunity to access books in a different way, both audiblyand on a variety of devices.

Yours sincerely,

Ellen Kempson
School Librarian