

## What's happening in the library this month?

Welcome back! It's time for a new academic year, which brings with it some new and exciting things for the library!

This year, the library will be hosting half-termly activities, biweekly activities, and will also be bringing back **Dungeons and Dragons Club!**Check your emails for more information coming soon!

To start the year off, the library has a cross word and a wordsearch activity for **National Cinema Day**, as well as an activity for **Banned Books Week**.



## Author Profile: Agatha Christie

Agatha Christie was an English detective novelist and playwright whose books have sold more than 100 million copies and have been translated into 100 languages. She is the most successful female author of all time.

Born in Devon, Agatha Christie would work as a nurse during World War I, and began writing detective fiction during this time. She created the Belgian detective Hercule Poirot, who would appear in 25 novels. Her other most famous detective is the elderly woman Miss Jane Marple.

Her most famous play is *The Mousetrap*, which by 2020 had been performed over 28,200 times. Most of her plays can be watched on the West End.

Her books have been adapted into film adaptations, with the latest films being adaptations of Hercule Poirot novels starring Kenneth Branagh.

Agatha was married twice, with her longest and happiest marriage being to Sir Max Mallowman, an archaeologist.

"The impossible could not have happened, therefore the impossible must be possible in spite of appearances."

Agatha Christie in Murder on the Orient Express



## Famous birthdays

- Jenny Han, American writer of young adult romance fiction, born 3rd September 1980
  - Leo Tolstoy, Russian author, born 9th September 1828
- D. H. Lawrence, English author and poet, born 11th September 1885

  Daniel Defoe, English novelist, born 13th September 1660
- E. Lockhart, American young adult author, born 13th September 1967
- J. B. Priestley, English novelist and playwright, born 13th September 1894
- Roald Dahl, Norwegian–British author most famous for his children's books, born 13th September 1916
  - Agatha Christie, our featured author of the month, born 15th

    September 1890
- George R R Martin, American fantasy writer, born 20th Stepember 1948
- H. G. Wells, British science fiction writer, born 21st Stepember 1866
  Stephen King, American horror writer, born 21st September 1947
  Frank Cottrell Boyce, English screenwriter and author, born 23rd
  September 1959
  - F. Scott Fitzgerald, American modernist novelist, born 24th
    September 1896
  - Carlos Ruiz Zafon, Spanish fantasy writer, born 25th September 1964
- T. S. Eliot, American modernist poet, born 26th September 1888

  Miguel de Cervantes, Spanish novelist, born 29th September 1547

  Truman Capote, American novelist, born 30th September 1924

## What to watch: Evil Under the Sun (1982)

Based on Agatha
Christie's novel, this movie
follows Hercule Poirot as
he tries to solve a
mysterious murder on a
beach resort paradise.



