



Dear Parent/Guardian,

In our commitment to supporting literacy and a lifelong love of reading; BHBS are launching an exciting, free way for students to be able to access eBooks and Audiobooks. This is through an online service called ePlatform.

The library catalogue is full of bestselling, popular fiction titles and will offer students a 24/7, 365 day library in addition to our well stocked print library in school. Students can have two books out on loan at any one time which will automatically return after two weeks, or students can return them early in order to loan a new book. Students can browse the collection or search for a specific book title, author or publisher and loan the book they choose. ePlatform also supports the Accelerated Reader Programme that some of our students are enrolled on. Students are able to search for books by their book level.

We have age rated the books which means students can only read books that are age appropriate. There are also settings which can be customised to enable students to alter the background colour and text size to allow them to enjoy reading without specialised equipment or books.

The eBooks can be read on a computer, laptop, or through the free App on tablets and smartphones. Using the App, the books will be temporarily downloaded to the device so students will not need internet connections once the book has been downloaded and loaned to read.

How to access ePlatform

To access ePlatform on a computer or laptop, students will need to click on the ePlatform link on the "Curriculum Links" section of the BHBS website homepage. The App can be searched for and downloaded on tablets and smartphones. They will then need to login with their existing school email address and password. This is their username followed by @bhbs.hereford.sch.uk

We will be showing students a demonstration of how to use ePlatform shortly. We are also able to support students, who require internet access, to be able to download the App and loan the eBooks and Audiobooks at school on their devices.

We hope that your students will enjoy using ePlatform. If you have any queries or have any technical problems accessing the service then please do not hesitate to contact Miss Marsh in the Library.

