

World Book Day



Thursday, 2nd March, saw hundreds of students at Sittingbourne Community College cram themselves into their library throughout the school day, eagerly trying to win one of the many competitions and quizzes, and receive a free book token as part of World Book Day.

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At the same time, the team in SCC's library were also celebrating the 30th anniversary of the Accelerated Reader programme in which all students between 11 and 14 years-old regularly read a levelled book and take quizzes to further their reading skills.

On the day, library staff set up a Character Prop Challenge where students had to guess which book character the librarians were from the props they were wearing or the visual clues around them. In fact, these props were changed three times during the day.

Library staff member, Jackie Smith, said, "It was amazing to see so many young people engaging with books and the culture surrounding this crucial learning tool. Yes, the students love their gadgets, but they still love the literary world and yesterday was proof of that."

Amber Freeman-Bates, Year 7 student, said, "I like reading books and I enjoyed taking part in all the competitions. I can't wait to find out if I won."

