



**Long Lane Primary School**  
Long Lane, Tilehurst, Reading, Berkshire, RG31 6YG  
Telephone/Fax: 0118 942 7187  
[www.longlane.w-berks.sch.uk](http://www.longlane.w-berks.sch.uk)  
[office@longlane.w-berks.sch.uk](mailto:office@longlane.w-berks.sch.uk)

 @LL\_Primary

6<sup>th</sup> November 2014

## **Encouraging Your Child's Reading for Pleasure: Our school library catalogue online and introducing 'Who Next' and the iMLS App**

Dear Parent / Carer

Our school is strongly committed to improving literacy and knows the importance of reading for pleasure. There is good evidence to suggest that young people who read for pleasure daily perform better in reading tests than those who never do. We want to encourage children to enjoy reading and to read a wide range of good quality literature.



I am delighted to inform you that the school has recently made a significant investment in our library with the introduction of a new online version of our library catalogue. The new system allows pupils, staff and parents to view our school library catalogue online and pupils are encouraged to use this to help with research, to write reviews about books they have read and search for new books and other library resources.

The system includes a fantastic new feature called 'Who Next' which recommends new books and authors based on the books that your child has already read. You will be able to use this feature at home to help your child select their next book.

Your child will be allowed to withdraw a maximum of 2 books from the library at any one time.



These books will be scanned and linked to your child's library account. Once the books have been returned and scanned back onto the system, your child will be able to choose a new selection of books. Please encourage your child to look after library books that are brought home and ensure that they are returned to school, once read, so that others may use them.

You can access the system via the school website or directly using the following link:

<https://U001231.microlibrarian.net>

There is also an App called 'iMLS', available for iPhone, iPad, iPod Touch, Android & Windows Phone 7. This App can be freely downloaded from the App Store (Apple), Google Play or Marketplace.

Having the library accessible in this way and having parents engaged with reading, will help to support our commitment to improving literacy standards. If you would like details of your child's username and password so that you can use the new app to also track their reading history and borrowing patterns, please complete the slip below and return it to the school librarian, Miss J. Kittredge.

We hope you find the new facility useful and welcome any feedback.

Yours faithfully,

Mr. P. Thorne  
Headteacher

---

### **Online access to School Library**

Name of Child \_\_\_\_\_ Form \_\_\_\_\_

I / we would like to receive username and password details for my son / daughter to be able to access the new online library system and App.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Parent / Carer Date \_\_\_\_\_

