

KILKENNY COUNTY COUNCIL LIBRARY SERVICE

A September to Remember



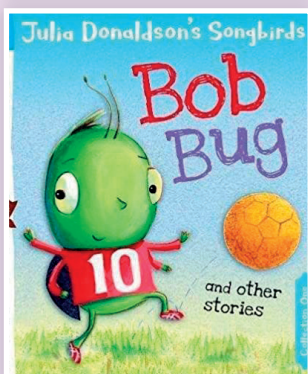
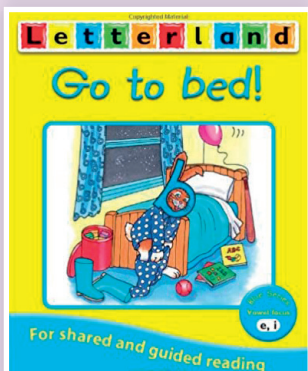
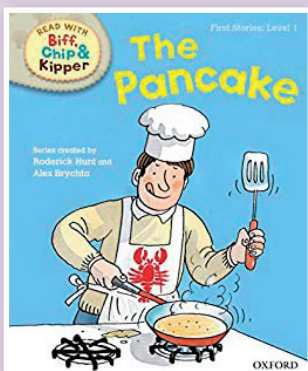
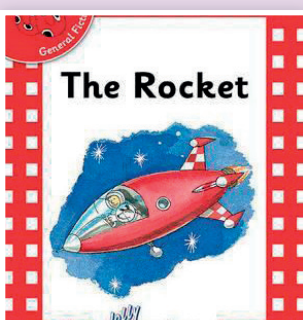
Every year, September brings its own unique set of challenges as children, teens and adults return back to education after a relaxing summer hiatus.

This year will undoubtedly be a "back to school" to remember as many are returning to school and college for the first time since March while others will be getting acclimated to the world of remote learning. Whatever your situation or concern, your local library is on hand to make the transition as seamless as possible.



Reader Development Collection

As students have been out of the classroom since March, it seems reasonable that some may have fallen out of the reading habit. Since our reopening, our reader development collection has proven very popular. Featuring a wide variety of ranges including Jolly Phonics, Letterland,

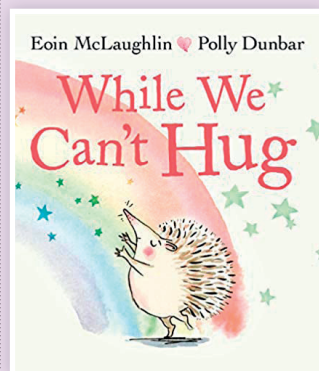
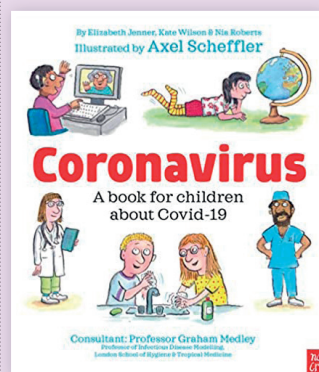


Ladybird, Songbirds and Reading Ladder and familiar faces such as Biff and Chip, these books come in a variety of levels to support young readers as they grow in confidence. To find our reader development range look out for books with a black dot on the spine or our experienced staff are always available to point you in the right direction!

Incorporate reading into your back to school routine

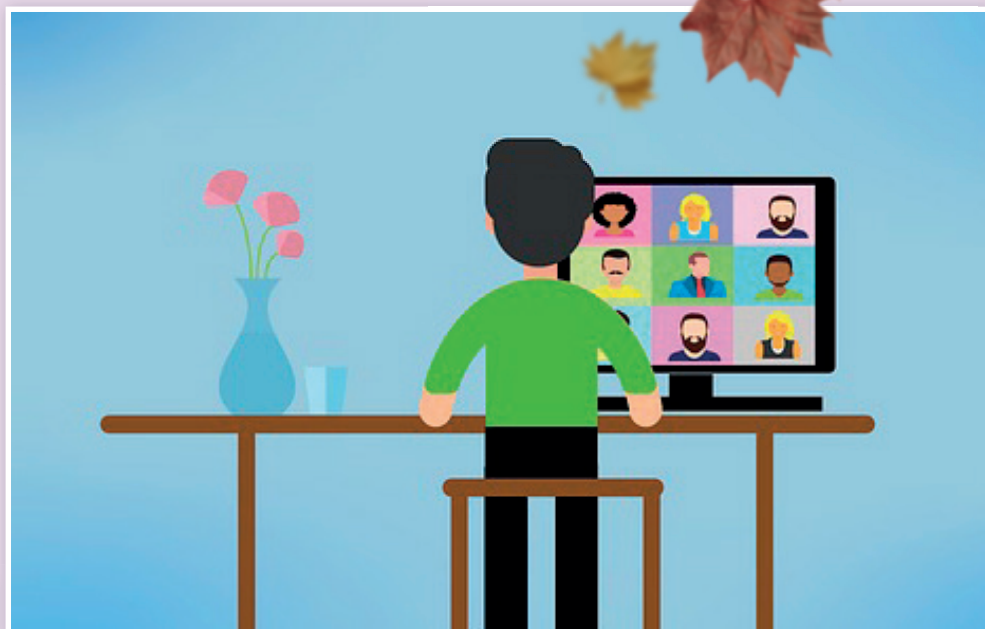
One of the best and simplest ways to help alleviate any anxiety

children may have around returning to school is establishing a consistent back to school routine. Reading together at bed-time or listening to an audiobook on the school run are just two ways of practicing mindfulness and incorporating reading into your daily routine. Several children's books have been published recently to help children make sense of Covid-19 and provide gentle reminders regarding the importance of social distancing and hand hygiene. Don't worry if you don't spot any of these titles on your next trip to the library - simply order via our website (www.kilkennylibrary.ie) or ask staff to order a specific title to be collected at your local open branch.

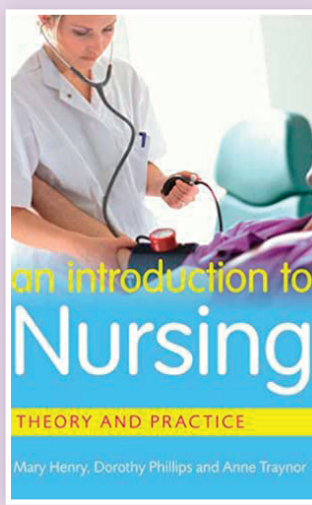
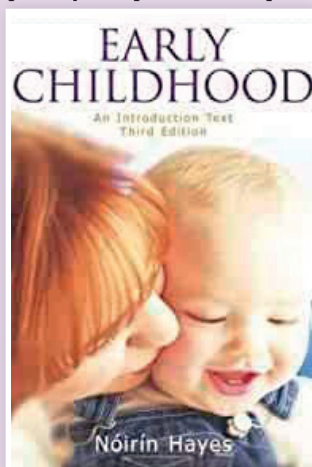


Remote learning

With the possibility of many third level students now working from home, it's important to know that your local library is there to support you each step of the way! As Kilkenny libraries continue to reopen and extend our level of service, we are offering wireless



printing and photocopying services in many branches - perfect for printing off that last-minute project! Simply phone or book a slot to visit one of our open branches to find out more about exactly what services are available. Your local public library can also be a convenient alternative to your college library on weeks where you are studying from home... your library card gives you access to stock from every library in the country making it super easy to request books required



for your course and have them delivered to your local branch.

Language learning from the comfort of your own home

Whether you're struggling to



help your little one make heads or tails of their "briathra neamhríalta" or you're looking to give yourself the edge in your French class, your library card also gives you access to free language courses through Transparent Language Online. This easy-to-use language app features a scientifically proven methodology and integrates real-life language used by native speakers - ideal for brushing up your rusty Gaelige or learning an entirely new language from the comfort of your own couch! Log onto our website and click on "Online Library" and then "Online



languages" to learn more and get yourself started. Say "Adios" to aggravation at homework time!

Every day is a school day...

2020 saw many parents hav-



ing to put on their "múinteoir" hats and take on the challenging role of educating their children from home. Whether you plan to continue taking a more hands-on approach in your child's education or you want to take some well-deserved time to work on your own personal development, Universal online classes are completely free with your library membership and have over 500 online courses to choose from! Don't know your factors from your fractions? Why not try your hand at "Basic Maths 101"? Or maybe a course in "Negotiation Skills" is called for?

