BULLDOG BOOKS

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COMING UP

October 12-17

The library will be holding its annual **Book Sale**. Like-new and gently used books, puzzles, games, and DVDs will all be sold for **$1**.

Mystery Bookish Boxes and Bags will also be sold. Prices range from $5-$20.

DID YOU KNOW?

During the 2025-2026 school year, students at CHS had **6,329 checkouts** with the sophomores (now juniors) checking out the most books. The most checked-out book was *A Good Girl's Guide to Murder* by Holly Jackson.

BOOK TALK

What book are you currently reading?

How would you describe it in one sentence?

WHAT'S NEW IN THE LIBRARY?

In our effort to create a "culture of reading" here at CHS, our library continues to encourage students to read in a variety of ways.

YA Wednesdays

On Wednesday mornings, Ms. Choate reads a short passage from a young adult (YA) novel found in the library.

New Books Every Week

Ms. Choate adds new books to the library every week. The latest addition to our shelves include *Wayfarers* by Jeff Zentner and Brittany Caravello, *Beth is Dead* by Katie Bernet, *Crowntide* by Alex Aster, and *Guinness Book of World Records 2027*.

PBIS Purchase: Reading Time in the Library

Students can now use their PBIS points to buy one hour of reading time in the library. For **100 points**, students can purchase a pass that allows them to read quietly and comfortably in the library during an approved RTI/Enrichment period.

TEACHERS READ TOO

60% of CHS teachers surveyed prefer to read mysteries. 55% like realistic fiction. 40% like historical fiction. 30% enjoy reading romance, fantasy, and history nonfiction books.

Information from Reading Survey for Faculty & Staff

Ms. Choate is currently reading *Thornbird* by E. Kennedy, a YA thriller about a serial-killer's 17-year-old daughter who investigates her father's crimes after his death in prison.

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READING REASONS

Research tells us that when we read about a certain experience or activity, our brain lights up in the same places as when we actually experience those things. This develops empathy, understanding what it's like to be in someone else's shoes.

from 95percentgroup.com

WORDS TO KNOW

efface (v): To wipe out; to erase; to make indistinct

winsome (adj): Sweetly charming

jovial (adj): Cheerful and friendly

from the editors of the American Heritage Dictionary

YA QUOTES

"Sometimes you do hard things for people you love."

Strong Like Me by T.L. Simpson

RECOMMENDED READS

This month's recommended reads are all **horror books for Halloween**. The library hopes you have a BOO-kish night on October 31.

Anna Dressed in Blood by Kendare Blake

Cas sets out to kill a ghost known as Anna Dressed in Blood, but the task turns deadly when he discovers Anna is unlike any ghost he has ever encountered before.

Don't Let the Forest In by C. G. Drews

Two teen boys attempt to stop terrifying creatures that seem to be coming to life from disturbing drawings.

Carrie by Stephen King

A shy high school girl discovers she has telekinetic powers and takes revenge on her tormentors.

Interested in one of these titles? Visit the CHS Library.

LIBRARY FUN

Can you make at least 10 five-letter words with the letters in **BOOKSHELVES**?

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The first five students to bring Ms. Choate their correct answers will get a prize.

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