

## What's happening in the library this month?

Welcome back to school and to a new academic year! The library is open for borrowing and returning from the first day of school, and we are excited to welcome you back with new and improved events and activities!

This month, come to the library to celebrate days such as **National Cinema Day, Murdery Mystery Day, Astronomy Day, World Rivers Day, World Punctuation Day, National Comic Book Day** and **European Day of Languages** with quizzes, wordsearches, crosswords, art activities, and even a murder mystery hunt that will take place this month across the whole school!

For more details, speak to Ms Zammit in the library and visit our website at <https://uk.accessit.online/dnb00/>



## Author Profile: H G Wells

H. G. Wells was born on the 21st of September, 1866 in Bromley, Kent. He grew up very poor and, when he was 14 was apprenticed to a draper, though this didn't last long. He apprenticed with many different trades, including a chemist, before winning a scholarship to study Science at the Royal College. He graduated from London University in 1888 and became a science teacher. He started writing text books at first, and then began a career of writing science fiction novels such as *The Island of Docot Moreau*, *The Invisible Man*, *The War of the Worlds*, and *The Time Machine*. He was also involved with the League of Nations, the precursor to the United Nations, as a proponent for progressive causes. He died in 1946 in London.

"Our true nationality is mankind."

H. G. Wells



# Famous birthdays



Richard Wright, Black American author, born 4th September 1908

Joan Aiken, English children's author, born 4th September 1924

Edith Sitwell, English poet, born 7th September 1887

David Levithan, young adult author, born 7th September 1972

Ralph Hodgson, English poet, born 9th September 1871

Stephen Jay Gould, American paleontologist, born 10th September 1941

D H Lawrence, English novelist, born 11th September 1885

Daniel Defoe, the writer of the first English novel, born 13th September 1660

J. B. Priestley, author of *An Inspector Calls*, born 13th September 1894

Roald Dahl, famous children's author, born 13th September 1916

E. Lockhart, young adult author, born 13th September 1967

Agatha Christie, crime writer, born 15th September 1890

Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie, Nigerian writer, born 15th September 1977

William Carlos Williams, American poet, born 19th September 1911

Upton Sinclair, American writer, born 20th September 1878

H. G. Wells, science fiction author, born 21st September 1866

Fannie Flagg, author of *Fried Green Tomatoes at the Whistlestop Cafe*, born  
21st September 1944

Stephen King, prolific horror writer, born 21st September 1947

Euripides, Ancient Greek tragedian, born 23rd September 480 BCE

Frank Cottrell Boyce, children's author, born 23rd September 1959

F. Scott Fitzgerald, author of *The Great Gatsby*, born 24th September 1896

William Faulkner, American novelist, born 25th September 1897

Carlos Ruiz Zafon, author of *The Shadow of the Wind*, born 25th September  
1964

T S Eliot, English poet, born 26th September 1888

Jane Smiley, author of *A Thousand Acres*, born 26th September 1949

Mark Haddon, author of *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night Time*, born  
26th September 1962

Miguel de Cervantes, Spanish writer and author of *Don Quixote*, born 29th  
September 1547

Elizabeth Gaskell, English novelist, born 29th September 1810]

Truman Capote, author of *Breakfast at Tiffany's*, born 30th September 1924

Ta-Nehisi Coates, Black American writer, born 30th September 1975

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King Louis XIV of France, born 5th September 1638

Freddie Mercury, lead singer of Queen, born 5th September 1946

Queen Elizabeth I of England, born 7th September 1533

King Richard I of England, born 8th September 1157

Alexander von Humboldt, German geographer, born 14th September 1769

King Henry V of England, born 16th September 1387

Samuel Johnson, famed man of letters, born 18th September 1709

George Cadbury, son of the founder of Cadbury chocolate, born 19th  
September 1839

Michael Faraday, physicist, born 22nd September 1791

Emperor Augustus of Rome, the first Roman Emperor, born 23rd September 63  
BCE

Ray Charles, blind musician, born 23rd September 1930

Horace Walpole, man of letters, born 24th September 1717

Horatio Nelson, famous Navy Admiral, born 29th September 1758

# Monthly Observances

September is both **World Alzheimer's Month** and **Hispanic Heritage Month (USA)**. This month, read some books by some people who identify as Hispanic, and educate yourself about Alzheimer's and what it can do to those affected by it.

The 2nd of September is **National Cinema Day**, and the library is celebrating by having a wordsearch and a crossword available.

The 6th of September is **National Read a Book Day**, so why not spend the day reading when you're not busy?

The 8th of September is **International Literacy Day**. Go to the library website to watch a video about this day and learn more about it.

The 16th of September is **Rosh Hashanah**, a Jewish holiday. Learn more about it by watching the video on the library website about it.

The 21st of September is **International Day of Peace** as decreed by the UN.

The 22nd of September is **Astronomy Day**, **Hobbit Day**, and **Dear Diary Day**. On this day, come to the library to participate in our astronomy quiz and wordsearch; and borrow *The Hobbit* or any of the *Lord of the Rings* books, or maybe a book that's written as a diary!

The 23rd of September is **International Day of Sign Languages (UN)**, so why not learn more about BSL on this day?

The 24th of September is **World Rivers Day**, and the library is celebrating with a quiz that is available from the desk.

The 24th is also **World Bollywood Day** and **World Punctuation Day**. The library has activities for World Punctuation Day, come on by to take part!

The 25th of September is **National Comic Book Day** - come to the library to take part in our 'make your own comic strip' activity!

The 26th of September is **European Day of Languages (EU)** so why not learn more about European languages and maybe even do our quiz?

The 27th of September is **World Tourism Day (UN)**, so why not learn more about tourism and its impact on the world on this day?

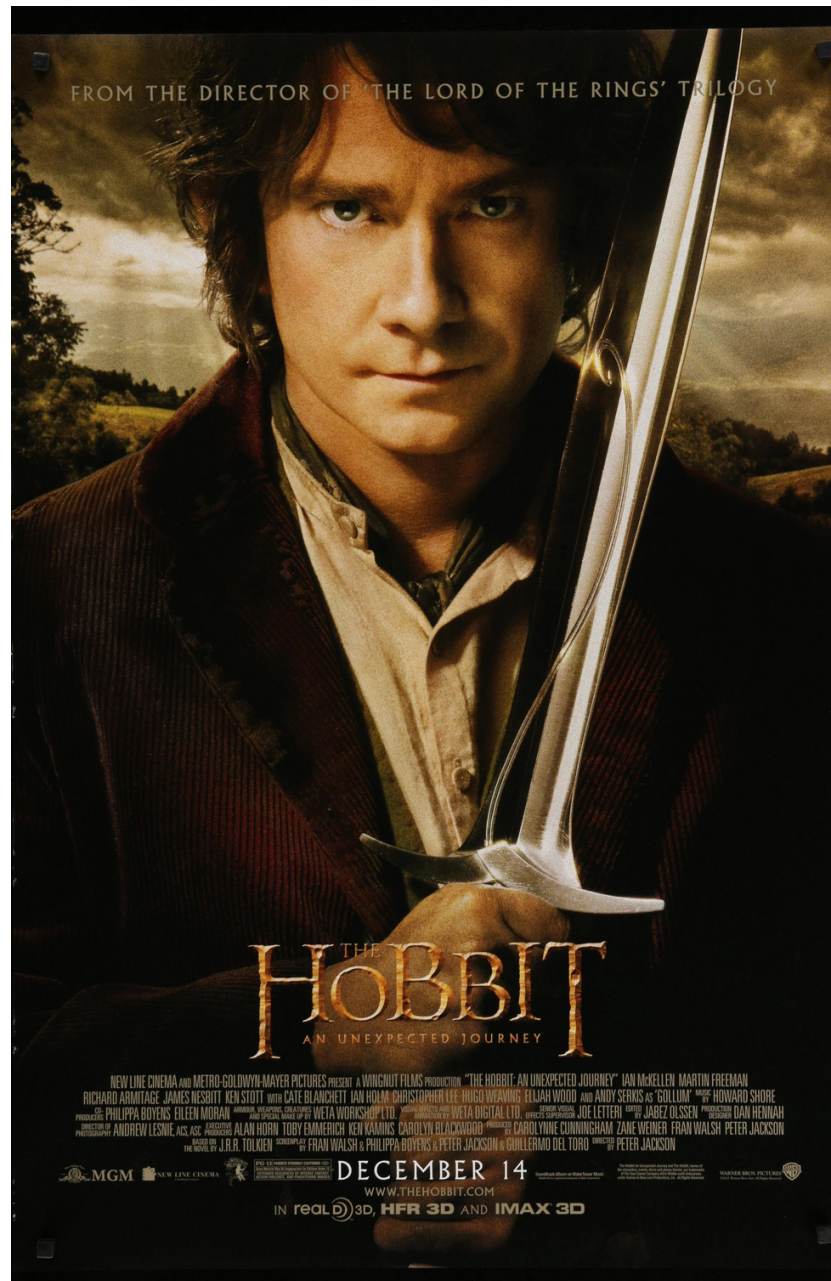
Finally, the 30th of September is **International Translation Day (UN)**. Why not look into what translating and interpreting is like and how it helps us in our day to day lives?



## What to watch: the Hobbit (2012)

For **Hobbit Day**, why not watch the movie based on the popular children's book?

Bilbo Baggins is perfectly normal and likes his quiet life, but everything is soon turned on its head when Gandalf the Wizard arrives with a troupe of dwarves, tasking Bilbo with helping them to rid their ancestral home of a fearsome beast...



# New books in the library: Fiction

Being Emily by Anne Donovan (young adult)  
Goosebumps flashing special by R L Stine (horror)  
Jane Eyre by Charlotte Bronte (classics)  
Little House on the Prairie by Laura Ingalls Wilder (classics)  
My hairiest adventure by R L Stine (horror)  
The player of games by Iain M Banks (science fiction)  
The princess bride by William Goldman (fantasy)  
Swallows and Amazons by Arthur Ransome (classics)  
War girls by Theresa Breslin (short stories, historical fiction)  
Harry Potter and the cursed child by J K Rowling, John Tiffany and Jack Thorne (fantasy)  
Divergent by Veronica Roth (dystopia)  
The fault in our stars by John Green (romance)  
The alchemist by Michael Scott (fantasy)  
Blueback by Tim Winton (animal stories)  
The wind-up bird chronicle by Haruki Murakami (modern classics)  
The clockmaker's daughter by Kate Morton (historical fiction, mystery)  
Last letter home by Rachel Hore (romance)  
Disclaimer by Renee Knight (thriller)  
A study in scarlet & The sign of the four by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle (classics)  
Where we go from here by Lucas Rocha (young adult, LGBT)  
A vanishing of griffins by S A Patrick (fantasy)  
A thunder of monsters by S A Patrick (fantasy)  
1984 by George Orwell (classical literature, dystopia)  
Finn Jones was here by Simon James Green (young adult)  
Release by Patrick Ness (LGBT)  
Again again by E. Lockhart (romance)  
Hani and Ishu's guide to fake dating by Adiba Jaigirdar (LGBT, romance)  
As I descended by Robin Talley (horror, LGBT)  
The Hate U Give by Angie Thomas (young adult)  
Going solo by Zoe Sugg (romance)  
Once upon a crime by Robin Stevens (crime)  
The fountains of silence by Ruta Sepetys (historical fiction)  
Annie on my mind by Nancy Garden (LGBT, romance)  
Good omens by Terry Pratchett and Neil Gaiman (fantasy)  
Mind the gap by Phil Earle (young adult)  
Blood brothers by Willy Russell (drama)  
An inspector calls by J B Priestley (drama)

# New books in the library: Fiction

All of the above by Juno Dawson (LGBT, young adult)

A natural history of dragons by Marie Brennan (fantasy)

The power by Naomi Alderman (dystopia)

Stuart: a life backwards by Alexander Masters (modern literature)

The witch boy by Molly Knox Ostertag (graphic novel, LGBT, fantasy)



# New books in the library: Non-Fiction

The ancient world by Fiona Macdonald (history)

A dictionary of sociology by Gordon Marshall (reference, sociology)

Game on!: by What On Earth Magazines (reference, trivia)

People in history by Fiona Macdonald (history)

Restored and forgiven by Ray Donovan and Vi Donovan (memoir, religious)

To be or not to be by Liz Evers (literature)

The Universe by John Farndon (science)

Shakespeare's imagery by Caroline Spurgeon (literature)

How the world thinks by Julian Baggini (philosophy)

Big Cats! By What on Earth Magazines (reference, trivia)

The ancient Aztecs by Louise Spilsbury (history)

The ancient Chinese by Louise Spilsbury (history)

World War II by Simon Adams (history)

World War I by Simon Adams (history)

Down and Out in Paris and London & The Road to Wigan Pier by George Orwell  
(memoir)

Twelve years a slave by Solomon Northup (memoir)

The lady is a spy by Don Mitchell (biography)

Blame my brain: the amazing teenage brain revealed by Nicola Morgan (psychology)

Four fields by Tim Dee (geography)

Violent borders: refugees and the right to move by Reece Jones (immigration)

23 things they don't tell you about capitalism by Ha-Joon Chang (politics)

How change happens by Duncan Green (sociology)

You have the power by Leah Williamson (self help)

Invisible women: exposing data bias in a world designed for men by Carolien Criado  
Perez (sociology)

The Great Gatsby York Notes (literature)

There is no planet B by Mike Berners-Lee (geography)

The Godless gospel by Julian Baggini (religion)

British Sign Language for dummies (language)

Mythology: an illustrated journey into our imagined worlds by Christopher Dell  
(mythology)

Sikhism by Cynthia Bartlett et al. (religion)

Islam by Marianne Fleming et al. (religion)

Queer heroes of myth and legend by Dan Jones (LGBT, mythology)

Rapture by Carol Ann Duffy (poetry)