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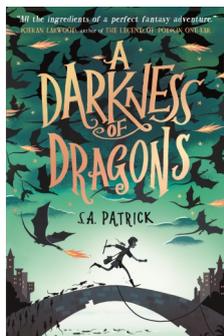## Schools' Bulletin: 30th March 2020

Keep in touch: The Schools' Library Service has had to close its doors for now, but we would still love to hear from you with any enquiries or ideas of how we can support schools at this time. Contact us at schools.library-service@scll.co.uk

Salford Children's Book Award 2020: The Winner!

In order to keep everybody safe, it was necessary to cancel the ceremony for the 2020 Salford Children's Book Award. Nevertheless, we're delighted to announce that the winner is:

S.A. Patrick for his book**: A Darkness of Dragons!**

Congratulations to S.A. Patrick, and all the shortlisted authors!

S.A. Patrick has sent video messages to the children of Salford. You can find them on the Salford Children's Book Award Homepage

Here is the full SCBA 2020 shortlist:

The House with Chicken Legs by **Sophie Anderson**

Halo Moon by **Sharon Cohen**

The Infinite Lives of Maisie Day by **Christopher Edge**

Boy 87 by **Ele Fountain**

A Darkness of Dragons by **S.A. Patrick**

The book award is for pupils in key stage 3, and most of these books would also be great reads for upper key stage 2. *Boy 87* is more suitable for older, secondary-school age readers.

E-books and e-audio books – free from Salford Libraries

Anyone with a Salford library card can access Borrowbox to borrow e-books and e-audiobooks for free - why not encourage your pupils to try it while the libraries are closed?

Read Alex Rider or the complete Harry Potter collection, listen to Daisy Meadows' Rainbow Fairies stories or the whole Tom Gates series. With the BorrowBox library app, you can browse, borrow and download books from the comfort of your own home or when out and about.

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Access to Borrowbox can be found here. Just sign up using your normal library membership number and PIN. The service is completely free and has something for everyone!

If you know of anyone who isn't currently a library member but would like to use these services they can join instantly here

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Free online resources for schools and parents

David Walliams is releasing a free audiobook each day, which are excerpts from his own books: https://www.worldofdavidwalliams.com/elevenses/

Oxford Owl have a website with free resources sorted by year group, as well as free ebooks sorted by children's age: https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/

Pearson are offering free resources for 90 days, for ages 3 – 16. This is aimed at schools but could be used by parents/students as well: https://www.pearson.com/uk/educators/schools/update-for-schools.html