

## by wheelers books

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Students are now able to borrow eBooks from the exciting new eBook library, found here: https://rainford.eplatform.co/

The library catalogue is full of bestselling, popular fiction titles and will offer Students 24/7 access to a digital library in addition to the print library in school. Students can have 2 books out on loan at any one time, and they will automatically return after 2 weeks, or students can return them early in order to loan a new book.

If books are already out on loan, they can be reserved and a notification will be sent when the book is ready for them to loan, but there are no excuses to still chose a book as the platform also gives a number of alternative similar titles to try while they are waiting for their chosen book. This could hopefully bring new interest and students might be encouraged to explore new titles in future.

We have age rated the books which means your children can only read books that are age appropriate. If you would like to question the age limit on any books please contact Mrs Osman.

There are also settings that can be customised to enable children who suffer with reading difficulties to enjoy reading without specialised equipment or books – we will give a step by step guide on how to setup those preferences.

The eBooks can be read on a computer, laptop, or through the free App on your tablets or smartphones.

## Reading through your web browser on a laptop or computer

Students can browse the collection or search for a specific book title, author or publisher and loan the book they choose. It is then assigned to them for the 2-week period.

## Reading through the App

To download the App, search "ePlatform" in the App store and download. Click on the app and then you will then need to search for the library which will be Rainford High. Once you start typing it will bring up the school on the list, click on the school name to take you to the sign in page.

Click the 3 little lines in the top left corner and select sign in. Enter the username and password that you use for your main log in (R number and password) and, as above, search for a book to read. Using the App, the books will be temporarily downloaded to the device so children will not need internet connections once the book has been loaned to read, great for reading anywhere!

It would be great for all students to test this platform to see if it is something that encourages them to read more, or encourages the enjoyment of reading. There are over 1,000 titles available so there should be something for everyone! If ever there was a time to discover a love of reading, this is it!!

Username: School Logon Password: School Password