

Rhosymedre Community Junior School

Junior Librarian Case Study

Rhosymedre Community Junior School has 80 pupils on roll. It is situated on the housing estate of Plas Madoc, which is a few miles to the south of Wrexham and four miles from Llangollen. In addition to providing for the estate, the school also caters for pupils in the locality who have moderate learning difficulties. We are a designated Communities First area.

Raising standards of literacy has long been a high priority at the school. The library was totally re-vamped during the last academic year with a grant from a local charitable trust. New reading books for individual and group reading were purchased, new soft furnishings and Junior Librarian. The way the library was managed and organised was also completely re-organised.

Since we have had Junior Librarian the whole library has been catalogued and can be easily updated. We can send reminders to the children who have outstanding books, before we just lost the stock.

We have a team of librarians who monitor the room and put the returned books away in their correct places. They

take a real pride in their responsibilities and are able to monitor any missing books using Junior Librarian.

The children enjoy doing the book reviews and are now much more able to research for information using Junior Librarian.

We are so glad we purchased Junior Librarian. The financial outlay and initial set up time has been well worth the investment. It has really raised the profile of reading in our school. Pupils look forward to author of the month and their weekly visit to our beautifully organised library.

“In our recent ESTYN inspection the facility was rated Outstanding”.

Roz Harrison
Headteacher.

