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Dear Parent/Carer,

eBooks and audiobooks at Scalby School

To support students' wider reading, we have access to an online library called ePlatform. (www.eplatform.co/uk/school).

ePlatform

The digital library consists of electronic books (e-books) and audio books which can be read or listened to on a range of devices (computers, phones, tablets etc).

Recent research by the National Literacy Trust highlights the value digital media can bring to students' reading and vocabulary development as well as supporting their mental well-being: (www.literacytrust.org.uk/information/what-is-literacy/audiobooks-and-literacy/).

The digital library is free to use and easy to access (<https://scalbyschool.eplatform.co>).

Most students in years 8-11 will have already been introduced to ePlatform. For those who haven't yet used the system, the simplest way to read eBooks or listen to Audiobooks is to access the free ePlatform app.

1. Download the ePlatform app from the Apple, Google Play or Windows app store.
2. Look for your library and log in - you'll only need to do this once.
3. Search for, borrow and read or listen to any book you want!

You can also access eplatform via a normal browser.

There is further guidance on the ePlatform website itself, but students can always ask their English teacher or email me if they need help (k.gual@sc.coastandvale.academy).

Year 7 students have access to Library books through classroom book boxes at the UTC Scalby campus and will be issued with log-in details for ePlatform.

Information sharing

In order for your child to be able to use the library services, we share some of their personal information with ePlatform. Our privacy notice is available on our website:

<https://www.coastandvale.academy/about-our-trust/information-management/>

If you would like to know more about ePlatform, their privacy notice can be found at

<https://www.eplatform.co/gb/privacy-policy/>

Please get in touch with the school if you would like any further information.

Yours faithfully,

Ms K Gual (LRC Coordinator)