# **QHPS Library Policy**

The library functions as a place for leisure reading and learning. In addition to providing quality reading materials, the library aims to develop pupils into avid readers and independent and lifelong learners.

# **Library Opening Hours**

| School Term Time     |   |
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| Monday – Thursday    | 8.00a.m. – 4.00 p.m.  |
| Friday               | 8.00a.m. – 3.30 p.m.  |
|                      | (Closed for lunch break and sanitization from 11.45 a.m12.45 am.) |
| School Vacation Time |   |
| Monday – Friday      | During March, June and September school holidays: 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. |
|                      | (Closed at end of school year for stock-taking.)                  |

## **Borrowing Privileges**

- All students are automatically registered as a member of the school library.
- The EZ-link student pass functions as a library card.
- Students are entitled to borrow up to four books at a time.
- The loan period for books is 14 days.

#### Renewal

- Books can be renewed for another 14 days.
- Each book can only be renewed once.
- You may renew a book if:
  - o The item has not been reserved by another member
  - o The item has not been renewed before.
  - The item is not overdue.

#### Overdue items

- Students with an overdue book will not be allowed to borrow additional books until the overdue book is returned.
- Students are to return their overdue books immediately.
- Borrowing privileges will be suspended until the overdue book is returned.

### Lost / Damaged Library items

- Students are responsible for any items borrowed from the school library. Please notify the librarian immediately for lost or damaged item.
- For every book lost or damaged, the pupil will have to purchase the same titled book as a replacement.
- In the event that the book is no longer available in the market, the pupil will have to replace it with a new book of equivalent value to the library book.
- Cash payment is not accepted.
- Borrowing privileges will be suspended until the lost item is replaced.

## **Library Etiquette**

The library aims to promote the love for reading and learning through providing a comfortable and conducive environment. To keep the library environment pleasant, pupils are expected to observe the following library etiquette:

- Speak softly at all times.
- Do not run or play.
- Food and drinks are not allowed to be brought into the Library.
- Handle all library materials and facilities with care.
- Anyone behaving unacceptably will be asked to leave.







## **School Library OPAC**

 Students can browse the library collection on OPAC at https://schoolibrary.moe.edu.sg/qihuapri

## School E-Resource Repository (SERR)

The School E-Resource Repository (SERR) is a virtual school library which aims to promote recreational reading as well as support learning for students across various subject areas. A variety of e-resources has been made available. These include videos, audio books, e-books, e-magazines, e-newspapers and online articles.

https://schoolibrary.moe.edu.sg/eresourcespri

## **National Library Board Membership and MyLibrary Account**

- Students are strongly encouraged to be members of the National Library Board. Parents
  can also sign their children up for the myLibrary account to enable them to borrow ebooks and other e-resources from NLB and to take part in NLB activities.
- Signing up for a library membership and myLibrary account is available online at <a href="https://account.nlb.gov.sg">https://account.nlb.gov.sg</a>. Alternatively, visit any of the public libraries to seek staff assistance.