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Dear Parent / Carer

Renfrewshire school library service provides secondary school pupils with access to a well-resourced school library and the expertise of a qualified school librarian. School librarians encourage pupils to develop an appreciation of literature and to become independent learners through research skills and digital literacy. The school library is a nurturing space for pupils to reflect and learn.

Vibrant Libraries, Thriving Schools, the national strategy for school libraries in Scotland recommends that local authorities implement a shared library management system between schools and public libraries to deliver effective and efficient use of library resources. All new first year pupils will receive a library card providing joint access to their school library and their local public library. If they are already a member of the public library, they will keep their existing card for use in the school library.

All information will be shared and processed in accordance with data protection legislation. Further information on the privacy policies of Renfrewshire Council and OneRen can be found on their respective websites:

www.renfrewshire.gov.uk/privacypolicy

www.oneren.org/privacy-policy/

Your child's library card enables them to borrow from a great range of books, search the online catalogue and renew and reserve books from home. It also provides online access to e-books, e-audiobooks, newspapers, magazines, encyclopaedias and study support. Using the library is completely free and there are no charges for overdue items or making reservations. For more information please visit - www.renfrewshirelibraries.co.uk

I hope your child will enjoy the benefits of library membership. If you have any queries, please email **sls@renfrewshire.gov.uk** or contact your child's school librarian.

Yours sincerely,

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