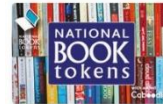
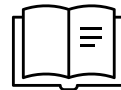


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Dear Readers,

It seems a while since our last newsletter. What have we been doing? We are currently working with three authors who are publishing their books through Bookworm later this year. Adrian Gray has almost finished his next, excellent, *People and Places* book, this time on West Lindsey, Lincolnshire. Bookworm will also be publishing a memoir (posthumously) by Bill Smith. Bill was a British Soldier in WW2 serving in France, Egypt and the Far East. His detailed, handwritten manuscript has waited years to be published. There will be more about this soon. And, later in the year, Bookworm will publish a book for children by Luke Staton (www.lukestaton.com) This book promises to be something very special. For those who know Luke, you will know that he works with schools and businesses in the field of positive thinking and positive self-image to maximise personal development. Luke's book will be illustrated by talented local artist, Shaun Clarke, perhaps better known for his amazing pottery. (www.whiskerhillspottery.co.uk). Updates on the progress of these books will be posted on Facebook and our website and our next newsletter.

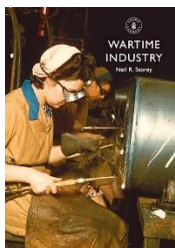


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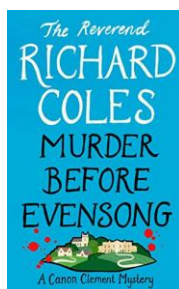
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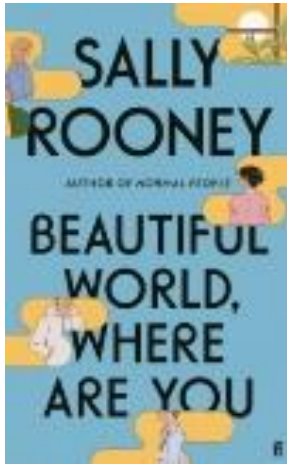
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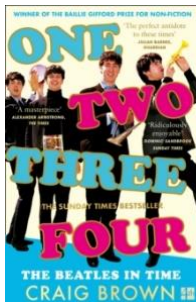
Mrs Bookworm has recently been reading *Beautiful World, Where Are You* by Sally Rooney.

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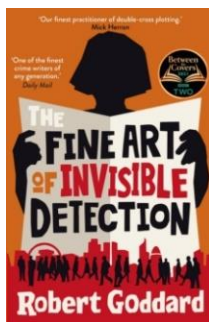


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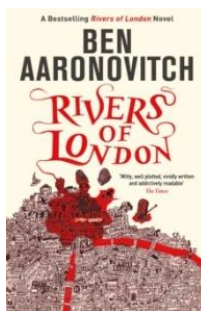
1. Sally writes lyrically, deeply and thoughtfully. The four main characters have reached a place in their lives where they are questioning their life goals, their relationships and their spiritual beliefs. There are political discussions, parties, and emotional tangles to unravel along the way. 8/10
2. This novel has no plot. It takes 330 pages to come to the conclusion that 'to love and be loved' is what life is all about. Just when we are about to fall asleep during a lengthy stream of consciousness there's a bit of bedroom action to wake us up. There are no speech marks at all – strangely, this works because only two people talk at any one time. 5/10



One Two Three Four by Craig Brown. This is a really thick book so a secondhand hardback version was obtained. Chunky paperbacks sometimes ping shut or are hard to hold open. However, some people do find hardbacks too heavy to hold for long. The solution to this is to rest the book on a large cushion on your lap. Now back to the review... this book is brilliant if you like The Beatles. It works its way through the entire historical timeline from schooldays and teenage years to the rise and demise of the band, and much more. It really is a good read 10/10



And finally, Mrs Bookworm has read *The Fine Art of Invisible Detection* by Robert Goddard, £9.99. Amazingly, this is the first Goddard book that Mrs Bookworm has read but it will not be the last. It is a very entertaining page-turner. It's a murder mystery with espionage and plot twists to keep you guessing. It starts in Japan and moves to Cornwall with a bit of Iceland in between. Lots to keep the reader entertained. 10/10



Mr Bookworm is a fan of work by Ben Aaronovitch. Ben's first novel came out in 2011 (*The Rivers of London*, paperback £8.99, 10/10) and he has written over 12 books. Readers who like work by Neil Gaiman or perhaps Susanna Clarke might also like this series. His books are humorous but with some harsh moments thrown in to stop you laughing too much. His latest book is a spin-off of the series called *What Abigail did that Summer*, paperback £7.99.

Happy Reading from Angela & Paul

