

Review Time

Dissolution, C J Sansom

A fantastic, historical read!

"PREPARE TO BE HOOKED"

Inspired by his fascination with the Tudors and his love of crime novels, C J Sansom sets his debut novel, *Dissolution*, in a fictional monastery near his home on the Sussex coast on the eve of Henry VIII's dissolution of the monasteries. The year is 1537. It is the first in a series of 6 novels that explores the world during that turbulent, riveting period.

Matthew Shardlake, a lawyer, is entrusted with a personal commission from Thomas Cromwell to visit a Suffolk Monastery slated for Dissolution, and investigate the horrific murder of a royal inspector. Shardlake soon finds himself investigating a series of historic murders as well.

Like all the best fictional detectives, Shardlake is a solitary figure: though he's professionally successful, his obvious disability marks him as an outsider in a superstitious age that regarded hunchbacks as unlucky, and sees him mocked publicly. However, he is a cultured man whose intelligence and stubborn sense of both justice and empathy win over the reader.

Sansom's gift for marrying mystery and an unlikely hero with historical detail and a captivating writing style draws you in with every descriptive sentence. Interesting supporting figures weave in and out of the later stories as well. Sansom's skill lies in making these characters mesh in a believable and beautifully researched narrative.

"The sights, the voices, the very smell of this turbulent age seem to rise from the page." PD James

Library Opening Hours

Before School – 8:30am-
RAK/Assembly

Recess 2

Lunch 1 – Years 10-12

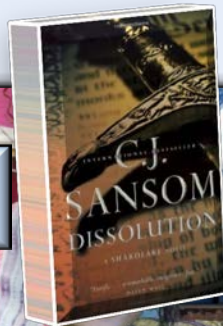
Lunch 2 – Years 7-12

Study Periods - Years 11-12

Homework Centre – Tuesday

and Thursday 3:30-5pm

Tuesdays and Thursdays



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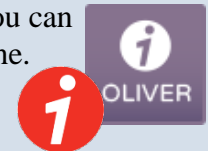
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How can we help you?

The Library on your desk, laptop, tablet or phone!!

You can now search our library database for resources anywhere in the school or at home.

While you are signed into the Det Portal – add My School Library to Essentials. (Notes on how to access the KHS Library Database are available from the library or just ask Linda.) You can also download the App on your tablet or Smartphone.



A Resource List

If you are preparing to teach a unit we are able to print a resource list for you or help you learn to do this yourself at school or home.

A Book Box

We can provide a Book Box to use in your classroom with only 24 hours' notice. This is very useful if the library is full. Alternatively you can use the Book Box in the Library.

...AND MORE...

We have more new DVDs and Audio! Great new novels! Even more Magazines in our Revamp! And ...Teacher Resources!

What's been happening ...



"Australia's Biggest Morning Tea"

Kempsey High School hosted "Australia's Biggest Morning Tea" in the school Library on 6/5/16. Not only was there a variety of tasty treats to sample and the obligatory tea and coffee but some adventurous staff also dressed up. The wigs and frocks aside, most importantly, \$286 was raised in that 20 minute period. A huge thanks to those who contributed to the repast and generously donated money. The proceeds go to help raise vital funds for cancer research, prevention, advocacy, support.



New Novels



...plus MORE

Senior Resource Relocation

ENGLISH, DRAMA, MATHS, CHEMISTRY, BIOLOGY and TEXTILES

With the goal of helping HSC students find resources more easily, we have relocated a number of books and magazines to the Senior Learning Area of the Library. They are along the side wall and are available for both students and teachers to borrow. All other resources are still located in the Non-Fiction section. ENGLISH, DRAMA, MATHS, CHEMISTRY, BIOLOGY and TEXTILES will find many of their HSC resources located along this wall. Have a browse and encourage the students as well.

Wax for a Cure

The SRC also helped raise funds for cancer research by holding a "Wax for a Cure" activity on 24/6/16. Male students and teachers volunteered to have wax strips applied to their bodies to help raise money for the Leukemia Foundation. Students could donate by buying a strip to be used on one of the volunteers. For an extremely LARGE donation students even volunteered to have an eyebrow waxed!! It was a fun lunchtime, painful for some but hilarious for others. \$256 was raised during that lunchtime so many thanks to all involved.

