

# THE LIBRARY LEDGER

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The Library Ledger is your guide to the library. From activities to recommendations, this is your best way of getting updates about what's happening in the library and around school.

## Strange

There are a lot of odd holidays in April, so we have compiled a list:

- 1st - Edible Book Day
- 2nd - National Walking Day
- 3rd - Don't Go to Work Unless it's Fun Day, National Tweed Day
- 4th - International Carrot Day, National Hug a Newsmen Day, Walk Around Things Day,
- 5th, International Pillow Fight Day
- 6th - Plan your Epitaph Day
- 11th - Day of Silence
- 13th - National Scrabble Day
- 17th - Blah Blah Blah Day
- 21st - National Tea Day (this one isn't strange, I just wanted everyone to know ;-))
- 23rd - *International* World Book Day
- 26th - World Intellectual Property Day, Hug an Australian Day, (and not strange, just sad, it's Chernobyl Remembrance Day)

If you want to see a holiday for every day in April, search "Things in April 2025" and click on the link labelled "April 2025 calendar with holidays and celebrations..."

## April Fools!

On the 1st of April, the world erupts with pranks and lies! You all probably know about April Fools Day, but do you know its origin? Well, you're not alone, because no-one actually knows the origin of this hilarious date! That's right, the origins of April Fools are a

mystery! There are some theories though, for example, some people think that it originated from a story by Geoffrey Chaucer where a chicken is fooled by a fox 32 days after the start of March, hence, April 1st.

## This April's monthly topic:

### Autism

On the 2nd of April, it is Autism awareness day. Autism is a neurological and developmental disorder that affects how people interact with others, communicate, learn, and behave. Although this is a disability, you should not treat anyone with autism any differently than you would anyone else. There are different scales of autism, ranging from slight autism to severe autism. Many people in this school have autism.

## Book of the month:



In entries in her "gleaning journal," Scythe Curie gives the reader the history of her world. In 2042, humans became immortal and created the Scythedom, an organization of 'scythes'—people trained to "glean," or kill others permanently—to control the population growth. This job is the only one not overseen by the Thunderhead, an advanced version of "The Cloud" that has replaced government and oversees every aspect of the population. With immortality has come the sense that there's no longer a point to life, and people in Curie's age don't understand what it was like to live knowing that death was inevitable.

Seventeen-year-old Citra is horrified when Scythe Faraday shows up on her family's doorstep and invites himself for dinner. She and her parents are terrified that he's going to glean them, and Citra angrily snaps at him. He admits he's here to glean their neighbor. Not long after, Faraday shows up

at Rowan's school to glean the quarterback, Kohl Whitlock. Rowan stubbornly insists on holding Kohl's hand when Faraday electrocutes him, and for this, Rowan's classmates, including his best friend Tyger, shun him. When Faraday invites both Citra and Rowan to become his apprentices, they both accept; however, only one of them will become a scythe.