And so to the end of another year... It’s been a busy final term here in The Arthur Holt Library. We’ve added 274 new books to the collection – everything from this year’s Booker Prize winners to Volume Two in ‘The Book of Dust’, Philip Pullman’s latest fantasy series.

Year 8 took out the prize for the most books borrowed, narrowly beating Years 7 and 12. Graphic novels remain the most popular genre, followed by non-fiction and other worlds, a section dedicated to sci-fi, dystopian and speculative fiction.
Of course, there’s more to the library than just books. This term, we’ve run lessons on everything from research skills to database searching. We’ve hosted a Professional Learning Conversation on the role of education in sustainability. Elite athlete Ellyse Perry stopped by to sign copies of her new book as part of our books@breakfast series and we met the new Year 7 cohort on their Orientation Day.
It seems there’s nothing left for us to do except to wish you all a very merry Christmas and a restful break. And what break would be complete without a sumptuous pile of holiday reading. As part of a new series of blog posts on our latest additions, we’ve compiled a broad selection of books for everyone from Years 7 to 12, to parents, grandparents and everyone in between. You can find the full list at https://arthurholtlibrary.com/2019/12/01/whats-new-in-december/. We’re sure you’ll find something that’s just right for you.

“You can never get a cup of tea large enough or a book long enough to suit me.” – C.S. Lewis

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