Welcome back to the new academic year, hopefully you are all settling in well. We hope you had a nice Summer. We’ve been busy in the Library preparing for the new academic year. Lots of new books in stock, new library guides for all the disciplines in LSAD, and all the end of year projects from 2016 on the shelves ready to be devoured by hungry minds.

Have your Wednesday nights been taken over by “The Great British Bake Off”, or am I the only sad creature who dashes home after work and rustles up a delicious treat so I can eat it while I watch the mouth watering nail biter?

If anyone fancies trying to make some tasty treats all you have to do is pop up to the LIT library, go to the 741 section, and borrow some of our books on desserts and baking. We have many brilliant titles and here are a few examples…go on …you know you want to…..
In conjunction with the US Library of Congress, the Library Association of Ireland (LAI), the Chartered Institute of Library and Information Professionals (CILIP), Libraries Northern Ireland, the National Library of Ireland, the Society of National, College and University Libraries (SCONUL), the Consortium of National and University Libraries (CONUL) and other partners, Limerick Institute of Technology Library are proud to host the 5th International Summit of the Book, which will be held in the Strand Hotel, Limerick, November 2-3rd 2016. http://www.summitofthebook2016.com/ This is the first time that this prestigious International Summit has been hosted in Ireland.

The International Summit of the Book is one of the important initiatives launched by the US Library of Congress to emphasize the key position of the book and libraries in preserving national cultural identities and human civilization. The inaugural Summit took place in Washington D.C. on 6–7 December 2012. Every year, the Summit is held in a city that has a global cultural impact—namely Washington, Singapore and Paris in the years 2012, 2013 and 2014 respectively. Last year this important cultural event was held for the first time in Africa and the Arab world—in the Bibliotheca Alexandrina in the ancient city of Alexandria, Egypt under the theme “Books, Reading, and Technology”.

Taking inspiration from Samuel Beckett—one of our most eminent writers, the theme for this year’s Summit is ‘Words are all we have,’ the Book: History, Knowledge and Technology, the Voyage’. Eminent international figures, intellectuals, and library professionals from around the world will participate in this event.

The Summit which is supported by the International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA) and the US Library of Congress will discuss key issues on technology and manuscripts, including the role of translation in the preservation and transmission of culture, and the book as an important tool in cultural exchange. The Summit will also discuss the development of books into electronic formats, and its impact on reading; the challenges facing books and the publishing industry and the role of books and reading in societies.

This International Summit is a unique and historic event—as it brings together the most important and influential library organisations on the island of Ireland.

For further information about the 5th International Summit of the Book please contact:

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Well done to all who completed their Theses and FYP’s for the last academic year. We are always very excited when they arrive into the library, they are a nice reminder of you and your chosen topic. It’s quite a good feeling when your work is bound and processed and sitting on a shelf for other students to be inspired by, it means all that research has paid off. And they are ‘Library use only’ so they get extra special attention and no one can take them home.

And for all of you currently pondering a topic and beginning the research process don’t be afraid to avail of library training...it really will make life easier!

This week’s star reader is our fabulous fourth year ‘print and combined media’ student Ed Kenehan. Ed has an avid interest in film and has donated many, many, amazing DVD’s to our library so instead of books I asked Ed to name the films that have had the biggest influence on his life.

**Favourite Childhood Film:** There are two films that stand out from my childhood, both directed by John Ford, *How Green was my Valley* and *The Grapes of Wrath*. Some of the scenes in ‘The Grapes of Wrath’ remind me of photographer Dorothy Lange’s photographs from the American depression. It has the most beautiful scenes shot in black and white that I have ever seen on film.

**My most influential college movie** is David Lynch’s ‘Erasurehead’. Lecturer Dara Waldron ran a seminar on David Lynch, and to get a better insight into the director and his movie I picked the course. One of the strangest films I have ever seen but after the seminar I looked at it completely differently, again it was made in black and white and the use of background audio is brilliant.

**Desert Island** Having read about Alexander Selkirk in school and finding out that Robinson Crusoe was actually based on this real life incident fascinated me. Robert Louis Stevenson’s ‘Treasure Island’ is another favourite, I have seen different versions over the years of this in film, but my favourite Long John Silver will always be Robert Newton. I can’t forget poor Benn Gunn left alone on that island and all he wanted was a piece of cheese!

**My favourite library anecdote** is: in first year one of the girls from sculpture approached me in the library and asked me to put my most important college items into a box and explain why they were important to me... I put in my USB memory sticks ..but now I have three divine librarians instead.
**ROALD DAHL 100**

L.SAD graduate and superbly brilliant artist Jacob Stack has kindly allowed us to use his illustration for the Roald Dahl 100 celebrations, to see more of Jacob's art check out his Behance page [https://www.behance.net/jacobstack](https://www.behance.net/jacobstack).

Most of us have grown up loving Roald Dahl books with their quirky, distinctive illustrations by Quentin Blake. There are so many activities this year to celebrate his 100 birthday which fell on September 13th, all the information can be found on the website [http://www.roalddahl.com/roalddahl100](http://www.roalddahl.com/roalddahl100).

**Here are a few fun facts:**

- He wrote all of his children's stories in a small hut at the bottom of his garden.
- He was a Hurricane fighter pilot during World War II.
- He wrote the screenplays for Chitty Chitty Bang Bang and You Only Live Twice.
- He originally wrote short stories for adults which were later published as Tales of the Unexpected.

LIT Library host visitors from Armenia, Moldova and Belarus from 21st August to 3rd September, as part of major EU Library project.

The visitors from Universities in cities such as Yerevan and Goris in Armenia; Chișinău and Bălți in Moldova and Minsk, Grodno and Minsk in Belarus were in Limerick to participate in Library and Information Literacy Training delivered by LIT Library as part of this ERASMUS + CBHE project.

LIT Library have been funded in two major EU funding programmes winning a total grant of €1,600,496 from the European Audio-visual and Culture Executive Agency (EACEA) to lead the modernization and development of quality library services across multiple countries in Europe. As Lead Partner and Grant Holder, LIT lead the Capacity Building ERASMUS+ project Library Network Support Services: modernizing libraries in Western Balkan countries through staff development and reforming library services.

LIT Library have also been funded as a partner in another ERASMUS+ Capacity Building project with a budget of €791,628 entitled Library Network Support Services: modernizing libraries in Armenia, Moldova and Belarus through library staff development and reforming libraries and these visitors from Armenia, Moldova and Belarus were visiting Limerick as part of this project.

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**E-book platform**

LIT Library would like to inform that Ebrary database has just moved to the new platform ProQuest Ebook Central.

Ebook Central platform has been designed for accessibility and ease of use and is very similar to the Ebrary platform. All existing Ebrary patron accounts have been transferred to the Ebook Central platform. If you have Ebrary bookmarks or items on the bookshelf, don’t worry, they will be redirected to the
Library Training Workshops
Library training workshops have kicked in! We ran quite a few in September but we have more in October for anyone who missed them.

- **October 4th** Introduction to Endnote
- **October 6th** Library resources for getting started with your thesis
- **October 12th** Summon, ebrary & other library databases
- **October 13th** Harvard Referencing workshop
- **October 19th** Summon, ebrary & other library databases
- **October 20th** Library resources for getting started with your thesis
- **October 25th** Introduction to Endnote
- **October 27th** Harvard Referencing workshop

Training will be held in the Library Training Room in Moylish Library from 1-2 pm. All welcome!

NEW BOOKS LSAD
Well we’ve lots of shiny new books here in LSAD, we’ve sent a list to all the LSAD staff and students with a synopsis of them all….but here’s a few pictures of our favourites to get you excited all over again.