

KMMS HARRY POTTER CLUB

NEW HARRY POTTER



From moving staircases to secret chambers, Hogwarts castle is a place full of mystery. In this book you get an in-depth look at the behind-the-scenes photography and drawings that helped create the iconic castle seen throughout the eight Harry Potter films!

by Professor M.D. Zahn

The newest Harry Potter-themed book in the KMMS Library is #6 in the *Harry Potter Film Vault Series: Hogwarts Castle*. In this book you can discover the filmmaking secrets that brought Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry to life on-screen.

of the Month!





by Xenophilius Lovegood

Another new addition to the KMMS Media Center is the fabulously creepy fairy tale: *The Ickabog*, by that enchanted muggle author, J.K. Rowling! A fastpaced fairy tale of a fearsome monster, this thrilling adventure will keep you up late reading...or looking under your bed!

Opinions from BLER

by Colin Creeve

Frasier Praises 'PRINCE'

It's hard to choose just one book, but after my most recent reread last year, I would have to say that my favorite is the Half-Blood Prince. I like that the characters are older and the plot has gotten a lot darker. Also, I always find a villain backstory quite fascinating. So learning more about Voldemort's past and seeing where he came from was incredibly interesting to me. Also that ending truly packs an emotional punch. No spoilers, but if you've read it, YOU KNOW. I love that while this book is darker, it still takes place at Hogwarts for the majority of it. So mixed in with the darkness are still plenty of fun, magical moments that come along with a setting like Hogwarts.

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forcing him at wand-point to pick, he would have to go with Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban. When asked why he preferred the third Potter in particular, Zahn remarked, "There are too many things to count, but I love everything about that book, from Buckbeak the Hippogriff to Professor Lupin and Sirius Black to the Time-Turner and the Marauder's Map, and specifically Harry's stay at the Leaky Cauldron, which was wonderfully written by Ms. Rowling.

Thornburg Says 'Prisoner' is Perfect!

I like all of the books for different reasons, but if I had to choose, it would be Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban. SPOILERS AHEAD! I like this one because we start learning about the Marauders, including my favorite character of all time, Sirius Black. Professor Lupin is also my favorite Defense Against the Dark Arts teacher - he's the first teacher who's competent enough to teach Harry and help him develop his defense skills with the Patronus Charm. I love that we find out about Harry's godfather and are meant to fear or hate him throughout the book until we find out the truth. It breaks my heart that Lupin has lived for twelve years thinking he lost all three of his best friends in one night. But, thanks to the Marauder's Map and the fact that it never lies, Lupin discovers the truth about Sirius and gets one of his friends back. Though the ending of the book isn't the perfect happy ending we might have hoped for, we learn a lot about our characters in the process, like how brilliant Hermione is, how much Dumbledore trusts Harry, and that Sirius really was a good person who was wrongly convicted. The movie version is a great adaptation too! I just wish they would have included more of the Marauders storyline - maybe it will be included if they ever make it into a tv series!

from the desk of ALBUS DUMBLEDORE

(Chief Warlock of the Wizengamot, Supreme Mugwamp of the International Confederation of Wizards, Order of Merlin, First Class)



Stay tuned for next month's newsletter coming by Owl Post to KMMS, where we'll discuss what's new in the world of Harry Potter, have a discussion about the Wizarding World in Orlando, Florida, and find out from Hogwarts Librarians, Madam Pince and Zahn, about magical new additions to the KMMS Library!

Until then, I'll leave you with another quote from ... me, which is always a good reminder ...

"We must all face the choice between what is right and what is easy."



