

Dear Parents

We have just upgraded our school Library computer software to a system called as “Oliver”. There are a number of features which parents will find useful since students can access it from outside school via links on both the school web site and VElOcity.

The direct link is:

<http://library.esf.edu.hk/oliver/login/>

Students can log in using their existing VElOcity username and password. Please do not change your child’s password within Oliver.

Splash Screen

This will contain useful information about the library, featured authors and books as well as links to online reading resources. Please note that whilst we will do our best to check all links to make sure they are appropriate, it is possible for students to ultimately reach other sites which might be unsafe. For this reason, students should always be supervised whenever they use the Internet.

The screenshot shows the Oliver library system interface. At the top, there is a search bar with the text "General search term ... enter here" and a "Basic search" dropdown. Below this is a "My Portal summary" section with links for Messages (0), Current Loans (2), Overdue Loans (0), Reservations (0), and Bookings (0). A "Welcome to our library" message follows, with a note to click links from the My Portal summary section. The main content area is divided into three columns: "Searching our Library" (with instructions on using OPAC and VElOcity), "Library Opening Hours" (8:30am - 2:45pm), and "Borrowing Quota" (listing limits for Years 1-6). Below these are sections for "Sha Tin Junior Library" and "New Books in the Library". A left-hand menu contains links for Home, My Portal, Other Searches, New Items, Main Subjects, Resource Type, Olly, and Pick and Click.

Students from Y1-Y3 will probably find the more child-friendly “Olly” interface more appealing. This is obtained from the left hand menu.

The screenshot shows the Olly child-friendly interface. It features a header with the "Olly" logo and "ESF Shatin Junior School". Below the header are several colorful buttons: "search", "our news", "pick & click", "new books", and "exit Olly". The interface is designed to be more engaging for young children.

The screenshot shows a login form with a green header containing the text "Hi! Type your name...". Below the header is a text input field with the placeholder text "type your password ... click go". At the bottom of the form are two circular buttons: a green "go" button and a red "X" button.

Search

Students can search the library catalogue from home both in Standard and Advanced Search format. There is also the more child-friendly “Olly” format. These features will help students identify possible book of interest for loan before their library lesson.

General Search in Oliver

Advanced Search in Oliver

Search Results in Oliver

| Relevance | 1-10 of 100 | | |
|-----------|---|------------|---|
| | YOU & YOUR FOOD, AN USBORNE INTRODUCTION / TATCHELL JUDY (1991) | TAT | ✓ |
| | FOOD, FITNESS AND HEALTH - PART ONE YOU AND YOUR FOOD - USBORNE / WELLS DILYS & TATCHELL JUDY (1991) | 612 TAT | ✓ |
| | FINDING OUT ABOUT...WHERE FOOD COMES FROM / COOK JANET (1989) | 641 COO | ✓ |
| | FOOD / COWLEY JOY (1999) | 636 COW | ✓ |
| | EARTH'S CYCLES - THE FOOD CYCLE / JAKAB CHERYL (2007) | 577.16 JAK | ✓ |
| | LIVING LONG AGO - FOOD AND EATING / BROOKS FELICITY & BOND SHIRLEY (1989) | 636 BRO | ✓ |
| | MY FOOD (1995) | | ✓ |
| | KIDS' MULTICULTURAL COOK BOOK - FOOD & FUN AROUND THE WORLD / COOK DEANNA F & KLINE MICHAEL P - ILLUSTRATED BY (1995) | 641 COO | ✗ |

Please note that there are a few errors in the display of books in Chinese script. This is a legacy problem resulting from books entered into our system in Chinese scripts other than Simplified Chinese. These errors will be corrected in due course.

Search in Olly

Loans

Students can see the details of their loan history for the past year including any overdue books. It is possible for students to renew their loans online for one period of 14 days.

We will also be trialling the use of overdue email reminders to parents when a book becomes overdue. Initially, this will be set to send an email to the family Priority Contact from 1-7 days after the book becomes overdue. Unfortunately, it is only possible to use one email address at present but we hope to be able to use student email accounts as well when the next version of the software is released.

Of course, there are all sorts of valid reasons why a book might become overdue - absences, school trips, incorrect scanning of return of books and in most cases it will not require any action from you. For these reasons please talk to your child about any missing books first before contacting the school. In most cases the overdue book status will be resolved when your child has their next library session at school. The email overdue reminder is really to help you locate books at home in case they have been misplaced. We would welcome feedback on how useful this feature is.

Reservations

Initially, we will not be making this feature available for practical reasons but will review this at a later stage this year.

Your child's class teacher (through the school diary) will continue to be the main point of contact for you regarding library books. However, you may also contact Mrs. Agnes Hill or Mr. Keith Purton regarding the library computer system at the following email address;

library@sjs.esf.edu.hk

Kind regards

Mrs. Agnes Hill (Librarian) and Mr. Keith Purton (HTL – ICT)

Loans View in Oliver

The screenshot shows the Oliver library system interface. At the top, there is a search bar with the text "General search term ... enter here" and a "Basic search" dropdown. Below the search bar, there are several tabs: "Current Loans (2)", "Overdue Loans (0)", "Reservations (0)", and "Bookings (0)". The "Loan History (12)" tab is selected. The main content area displays a table of loan history with the following data:

| Title | Date out | Date due | Renew |
|--------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| CURIOUS KID | 9:19 AM on January 04, 2012 | 12:00 AM on March 04, 2012 | It is too soon to renew. |
| BIG NUISANCE | 9:16 AM on January 04, 2012 | 4:00 PM on April 16, 2012 | It is too soon to renew. |

Loans View in Ollly

The screenshot shows the Ollly library system interface. At the top, there are several navigation icons: "search", "pick & click", "new", "our news", and "exit Ollly". Below these icons, there is a summary bar with the following statistics: "New 1", "Messages 0", "Saved 0", "Loans 2", "Reserved 0", and "Loan History 12". The main content area displays a table of loan history with the following data:

| Loans | Barcode | Due |
|--|---------|----------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CURIOUS KID | 062094 | March 4, 2012 |
| by: UNKNOWN | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BIG NUISANCE | 053246 | April 16, 2012 |
| by: MORIMOTO, JUNKO | | |