

Summer changes

If this were a radio show or podcast, we'd probably be playing a Bowie track in the background, but if you've visited the Library recently—physically or virtually, you'll be aware of a number of changes.

Stock Moves

Firstly, the **stock move** we reported on in the last issue went well. The planning paid off and every single book and most journals have moved to new locations. The books are all in one Dewey sequence starting on the Ground Floor near the Information Desk; journals are on the Second Floor—but ask if you can't find something!

Zoning Adjustment

A knock on effect of that is that we're revising the **zoning areas** to suit the new layout. From the start of term, the Ground Floor will be Group Study, the First Floor will be Quiet Study and the Second Floor will be Quiet Study amongst the books and Silent Study amongst the journals.

Discovery Default

On the electronic front you'll notice that our Discovery Service is now the **default** search on the Library homepage. You can still select the Catalogue tab if you wish or use the Discovery search box and then refine (on the left hand side of a set of results) to what's in the Catalogue if you prefer. You may wish to refer students to our Library Guide: <http://www.libr.port.ac.uk/libguides/LG613.pdf>

Referencing@Portsmouth

If you're a user of, or a fan of promoting Referencing@Portsmouth to students, you may have noticed that R@P has had a major makeover. We think this makes it much easier to use and more helpful. It also works much better on mobile devices. Find it at: <http://www.referencing.port.ac.uk/>

Subject Pages

Also, we've been revising our **subject pages**. Take a look under the My Subject tab on the Library homepage and select a Faculty and then a subject area. There

are still a few to go, but most of these are complete. They direct students to start with Reading Lists (and if you've not sent us yours, please do!), and then to move on to Discovery or various specific databases, and then provide some additional resources that might be helpful. Take a look and let us know if we've missed something!

Movie Magic

Finally, our Freshers' Fayre theme this year is Sherlock Holmes and there will be the usual fun of a stall at the Ravelin Park end of The Street as well as a quiz. In the interim you might like to watch our very first **silent movie** called 'The Game's Afoot' at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=plX65bGJfFO> It's only two and a half minutes and you might just be able to spot one or two shifty characters you recognize!



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Unless you follow the library world closely, you may have missed the term 'PDA' as an alternative way of delivering ebooks. Instead of academics or library staff selecting individual titles, or buying into a package of a certain size, PDA involves providing access to very large collections of ebooks and then purchasing the books that users actually choose to look at.

Of course, a quick two second look at a book doesn't trigger a purchase—there are certain criteria that have to be met—for example, ten page views, or ten minutes of 'real' usage, or copying/printing/downloading a title, but it's a model that has worked well elsewhere and students particularly enjoy the instant access they get to titles they

wish to read that might not have been part of the Library's holdings. In fact, for users the process is seamless.

We'll keep you posted but we've have bought into three collections: Ebrary, Ebsco and Cambridge and already had our first purchases.