The library has a massive range of fiction, non-fiction and Premier’s Reading Challenge books. The library is a great place to study, complete homework, read or just have time out from your busy day.

Usual opening hours are 8:30-3:30pm each day, plus earlier or later by prior arrangement: including before school, recess, lunch and approx. ½ hour after school. Study sessions can be arranged for after school or on Sundays.

The library hosts many special days: photos, vaccinations, study days, Police talks, Year and staff meetings, interviews, Parent/teacher nights, Scrap N Chats, P&C meetings... I am situated in the heart of the school.

Staff can book the library using MRBS software on the school website (links tab). There are four main areas in the Library: AV (TV in the front), Data Projector (in the middle), Computers and Seminar Rooms (down the back of Library). Students can view who is booked in and when on the school website.

Digital access: The library has a circulation computer, two Web Enquiry terminals and 19 computers. Have a look at the school website on http://www.woolgoolga-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/ - you can view current and upcoming school news, newsletters, and much more on this site.

Mrs Hart is responsible for library access, coordinating school photos, school publicity (including photos and media releases), forming the school newsletter, maintaining the school website, supervising Single Course Distance Education students and coordinating the Premier’s Reading Challenge (among other things). She team teaches information skills and offers website and other assistance. She works with specialist staff to buy the most applicable resources to support your learning and recreational
needs. She has a ‘wish list’ to which students can make suggestions, especially for the Premier’s Reading Challenge. Mrs Hart is also the Year 12 Adviser for 2013.

The library also borrows out all Maths and English texts and also senior texts for Computing, Science, PDHPE and Home Science. Students need their ID card to borrow items.

Computer access: Students use the same logins and passwords from Primary School for network and internet access. ‘New resource’ lists and other information are sent to student DET emails by Mrs Hart and other members of staff. Students are encouraged to send their assignments digitally (via email) to their teachers instead of printing. Students can contact Mrs Hart through her DET email for assistance or books suggestions: megan.a.hart@det.nsw.edu.au.

Mrs Hart works closely with the other high school teacher-librarians in the district and is looking forward to working more closely with the Northern Beaches Community of Schools teacher-librarians network in 2013. She is on a list-serve that draws on the knowledge of teacher-librarians from the whole of NSW – so if she doesn’t know the answer (to your question) it can be obtained usually within the hour.

New for 2012/3: continuing with the upgrade of the magazine section, digitalising archives, training new Library monitors, Canteen vouchers for Premier’s Reading Challenge completion (and ‘Woopis’ each time you borrow to go into the fortnightly draws).

More information about the NSW Premier’s Reading Challenge can be found at https://products.schools.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html

See you soon. Mrs Hart