
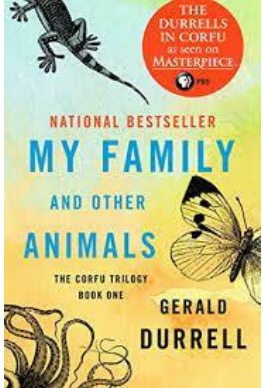
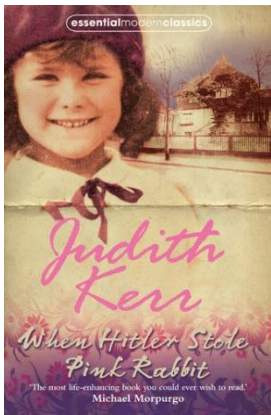
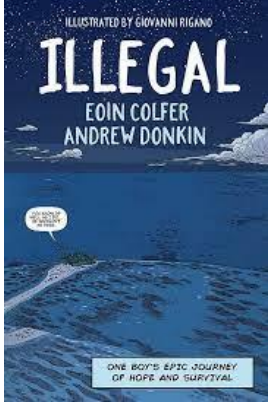
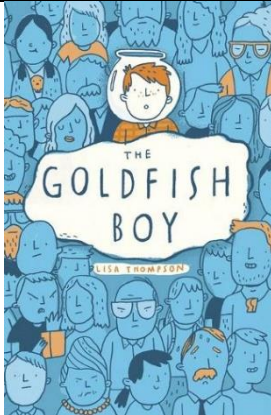
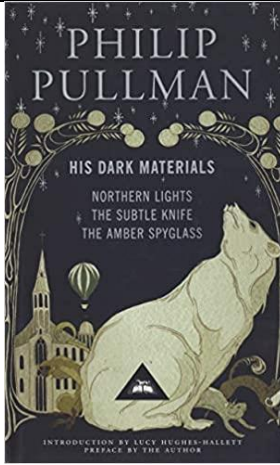
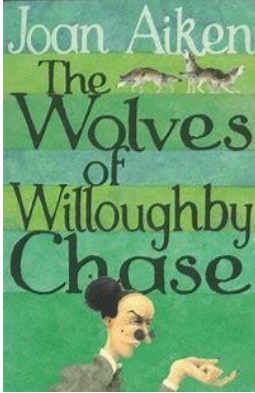


Year 7 'Must Reads'

 <p>Now a major film on Disney+</p> <p>SKELLIG DAVID ALMOND</p>	<p>Skellig by David Almond</p> <p>One Sunday afternoon, Michael stumbles into the old, ramshackle garage of his new home, and finds something magical. A strange creature - part owl, part angel, a being who needs Michael's help if he is to survive.</p>	 <p>THE DURRELLS IN CORFU AS SEEN ON MASTERPIECE</p> <p>NATIONAL BESTSELLER</p> <p>MY FAMILY AND OTHER ANIMALS</p> <p>THE CORFU TRILOGY BOOK ONE GERALD DURRELL</p>	<p>My Family And Other Animals by Gerald Durrell</p> <p>Bossy Margo, accident-prone Leslie, bookworm Lawrence and animal-loving Gerald, with their long-suffering mother and Roger the dog – leave rain-soaked Britain for Corfu. Gerald Durrell highlights human as well as animal eccentricities.</p>
 <p>essential modern classics</p> <p><i>Judith Kerr</i></p> <p><i>When Hitler Stole Pink Rabbit</i></p> <p>"The most life-enhancing book you could ever wish to read." Michael Morpurgo</p>	<p>When Hitler Stole Pink Rabbit by Judith Kerr</p> <p>This semi-autobiographical classic tells the story of a Jewish family escaping Germany in the days before the Second World War.</p>	 <p>ILLUSTRATED BY GIOVANNI RIGANO</p> <p>ILLEGAL</p> <p>EOIN COLFER ANDREW DONKIN</p> <p>ONE BOY'S EPIC JOURNEY OF HOPE AND SURVIVAL</p>	<p>Illegal by Eoin Colfer</p> <p>A powerfully moving, award-winning graphic novel that explores the current plight of undocumented immigrants from New York Times bestselling author Eoin Colfer and the team behind the Artemis Fowl graphic novels.</p>
 <p>THE GOLDFISH BOY</p> <p>LISA THOMPSON</p>	<p>The Goldfish Boy by Lisa Thompson</p> <p>Matthew finds it almost impossible to leave his room and venture into the outside world. However, when a small child in the neighbourhood vanishes, he puts his heightened attention to detail to good use as he tries to solve the mystery.</p>	 <p>PHILIP PULLMAN</p> <p>HIS DARK MATERIALS</p> <p>NORTHERN LIGHTS THE SUBTLE KNIFE THE AMBER SPYGLASS</p> <p>INTRODUCTION BY LUCY HIGGERS-HALLEY PREPARE BY THE AUTHOR</p>	<p>His Dark Materials by Philip Pullman</p> <p>This epic trilogy consists of Northern Lights, The Subtle Knife, and The Amber Spyglass. It follows the coming of age of two children, Lyra Belacqua and Will Parry, as they explore a series of parallel universes. Besides witches and armoured polar bears, the author explores ideas from physics, theology, philosophy.</p>



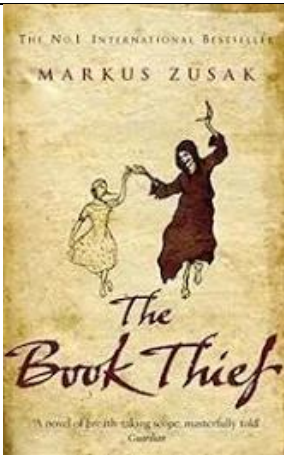
Adventure

The Wolves Of Willoughby Chase by Joan Aiken
1832 - a period of English History that never happened: King James III is on the throne. The country is ravaged by wolves which have migrated through the newly-opened Channel Tunnel. When Sylvia and Bonnie (both orphans) fall into the hands of evil Miss Slighcarp, they must use all their wits to escape.



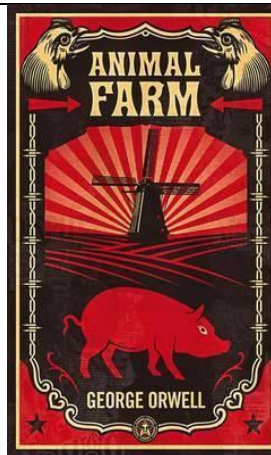
Detective

The Hound of the Baskervilles by Arthur Conan Doyle
Will Sherlock Holmes and Doctor Watson discover the truth behind the fearsome legend of the beast with blazing eyes and dripping jaws? Intrigue, suspense and a dash of horror...



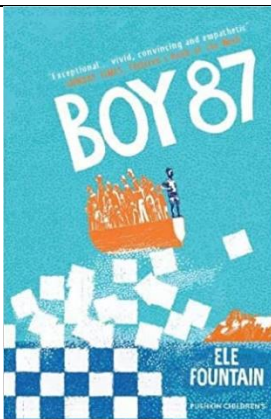
Historical

The Book Thief by Markus Zusak
It is 1939. Death has never been busier, and will be busier still. By her brother's graveside, Liesel's life is changed when she picks up an object, partially hidden in the snow. It is The Gravedigger's Handbook and it is her first act of book thievery. But these are dangerous times and Liesel's world is both opened up, and closed down.



Classic/Dystopian

Animal Farm by George Orwell
When the downtrodden animals of Manor Farm overthrow their master Mr Jones and take over the farm themselves, they imagine it is the beginning of a life of freedom and equality. But soon the animals discover that they are not all as equal as they thought. Orwell's chilling 'fairy story' is a timeless and devastating satire of idealism betrayed by power and corruption.



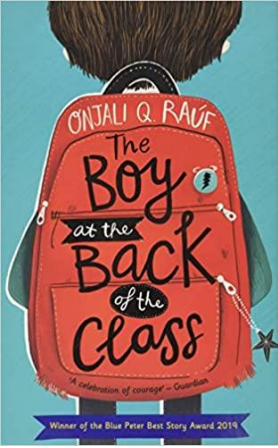
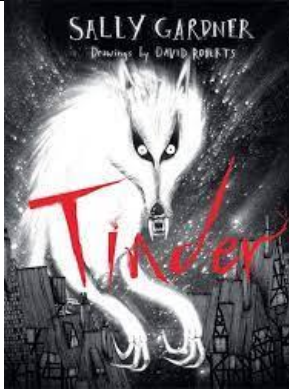
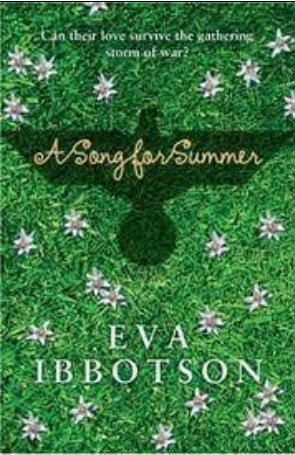
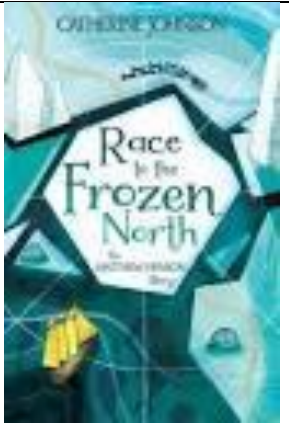
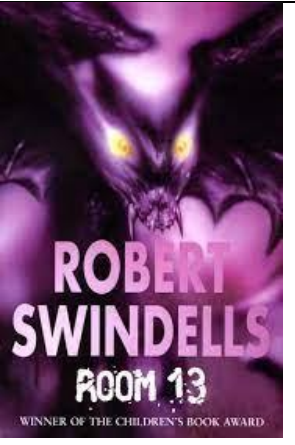
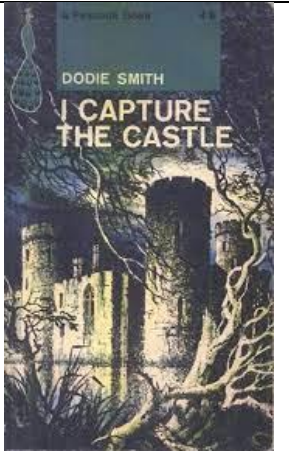
World politics

Boy 87 by Ele Fountain
Shif is just an ordinary boy who likes chess, maths and racing his best friend home from school. But one day, soldiers with guns come to his door - and he knows that he is no longer safe. Boy 87 is a gripping, uplifting tale of one boy's struggle for survival.



Dystopian

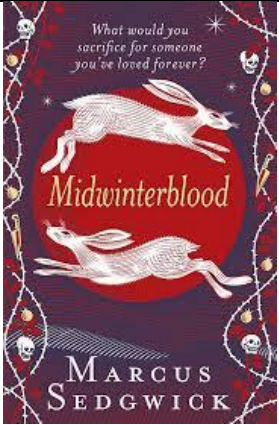
The Hunger Games by Suzanne Collins
Sixteen-year-old Katniss Everdeen regards it as a death sentence when she is selected to represent her district in the annual Hunger Games, a fight to the death on live TV. But Katniss has been close to death before-and survival, for her, is second nature.

 <p>World Politics/Crisis</p>	<p>The Boy at the Back of the Class by Onjali Rauf</p> <p>Told with heart and humour, <i>The Boy at the Back of the Class</i> is a child's perspective on the refugee crisis, highlighting the importance of friendship and kindness in a world that doesn't always make sense.</p>	 <p>Magic/Illustrated</p>	<p>Tinder by Sally Gardiner</p> <p>Wounded in battle, Otto Hundebiss defies Death and finds himself on a journey to a realm of dark magic and mystery. He meets Safire, brave of heart, and learns the powers of the tinderbox and the secrets of the wolves.</p>
 <p>Relationships</p>	<p>A Song For Summer by Eva Ibbotson</p> <p>Set against the backdrop of gathering war, Ellen Carr abandons grey, dreary London to become housekeeper at an experimental school in Austria. But it's the mysterious gardener, Marek, who intrigues her – Marek, who has a dangerous secret.</p>	 <p>Biography/Exploration</p>	<p>Race To The Frozen North by Catherine Johnson</p> <p>When orphan Matthew Henson ran away from his stepmother to find a new life in the big city, no one could have predicted to become the first person to reach the North Pole. However, back home in America his achievements were ignored due to the colour of his skin.</p>
 <p>Gothic</p>	<p>Room 13 by Robert Swindells</p> <p>There is no room 13 in the creepy Crow's Nest Hotel, where Fliss and her friends are staying on a school trip. Or is there? At the stroke of midnight, something peculiar happens to the door of the linen cupboard next to room 12. And something is happening to Ellie-May Sunderland too – something very sinister...</p>	 <p>Classic</p>	<p>I Capture The Castle, Dodie Smith</p> <p>Cassandra Mortmain lives in a crumbling castle in the middle of nowhere, with her bored sister Rose, her stepmother Topaz, little brother Thomas and her eccentric father. However, all their lives are turned upside down when the American heirs to the castle arrive...</p>



Historical

She Wolf by Dan Smith
Northumbria 866. Washed ashore on a frozen English beach, Ylva's survived. She will not cry. She's meant to be strong. She's a Viking. But when her mother dies at the hand of a three-fingered man, and the wolves of the forest circle closer, Ylva will need more than the memory of her mother's stories to stay alive.



Mystery

Midwinterblood by Marcus Sedgwick
When journalist Eric Seven arrives on remote Blessed Island in 2073 with a mission to uncover a mystery, he is captivated by its breathtaking beauty. However, rumour has it that no one ages and no children are born. What are the secrets that the islanders are keeping from him? This idyllic place hides a dark and bloody heart.



Sci-Fi/Dystopian

Gone by Michael Grant
In the blink of an eye, everyone disappears. Gone. Except for the young. There are teens, but not one single adult. Just as suddenly, there are no phones, no internet, no television. No way to get help. Sides a being chosen, a fight is shaping up. And time is running out.



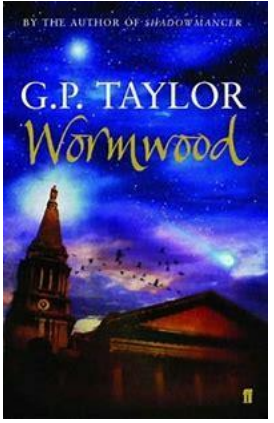
Classic

Jane Eyre – A Retelling by Tanya Landman
Orphan Jane Eyre has been raised in the shadow of cruelty and isolation. But when she takes a job at Thornfield Hall, her life is irrevocably transformed. Jane Eyre is a tale of a search for love, independence and belonging.



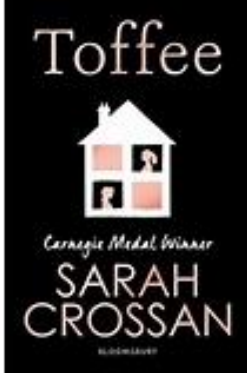
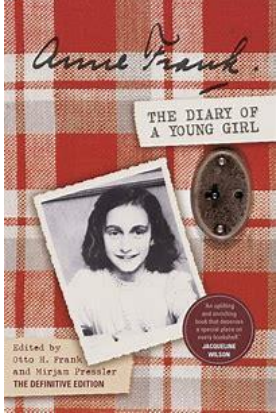

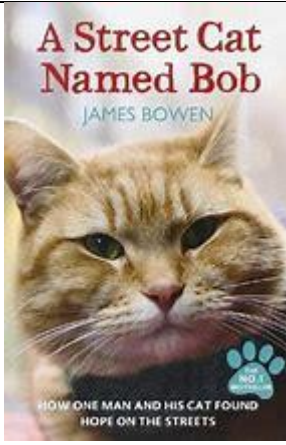
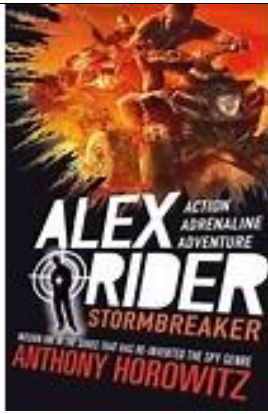

Modern classic

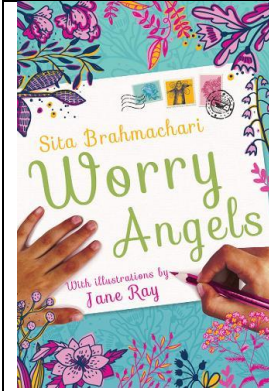
A Kestrel For A Knave by Barry Hines
Billy Casper is a troubled teenager growing up in a Yorkshire mining town. Treated as a failure at school and unhappy at home, Billy discovers a new passion in life when he finds Kes, a kestrel hawk. Billy identifies with her silent strength and she inspires in him the trust that nothing else can.



Supernatural

Wormwood by G. P. Taylor
By the author of Shadowmancer, this is a tale of sorcery, treachery, intrigue and supernatural strife set in 1756. Dr Blake has the Nemorensis, an ancient book that holds the secrets of the universe. Scribbled in the margin is a mysterious prophecy, and deciphering it could prove the key to saving London from a catastrophic fate.

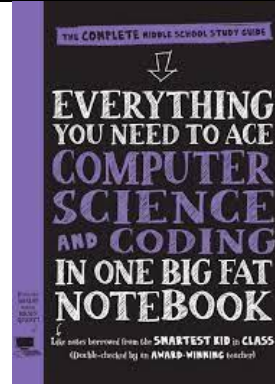
 <p>Relationships</p>	<p>Toffee by Sarah Crossan An insightful and compassionate free verse novel, exploring the transformative relationship between a runaway teenager and an elderly lady with dementia.</p>	 <p>Biography</p>	<p>The Diary of A Young Girl by Anne Frank In July 1942, 13-year-old Anne and her family, fleeing the occupation, went into hiding in an Amsterdam warehouse. Anne vividly describes the frustrations of living in such close quarters, and her thoughts and feelings as she grows up. Her diary ends abruptly when, in August 1944, they were all betrayed.</p>
 <p>Sport</p>	<p>Home Ground by Alan Gibbons Sam's team are close to the bottom of the league and team captain Jordan's bad attitude isn't helping. Sam spots that Hasan's got talent and invites him along to practice. He and his friend Faisal prove to be exactly what the team need - but Jordan's not going to accept his new teammates so easily. Can Sam get the boys to pull together and win?</p>	 <p>True Story</p>	<p>A Street Cat Named Bob by James Bowen The uplifting true story of an unlikely friendship between a man on the streets of London and the ginger cat who adopts him and helps him heal his life.</p>
 <p>Action adventure</p>	<p>Alex Rider: Stormbreaker by Anthony Horowitz When his guardian dies, 14-year-old Alex Rider's world is turned upside down. Recruited by MI6, Alex investigates multi-billionaire Herod Sayle who is producing state-of-the-art Stormbreaker computers. And he has offered to give one free to every school in the country – but there's more to the gift than meets the eye...</p>	 <p>Non-fiction</p>	<p>Politics for Beginners A no-nonsense guide, explained with clear text and bright infographics. Topics covered include political systems, elections, voting and government and issues including feminism, human rights, freedom of speech and fake news.</p>



Family/Friendships

Worry Angels by Sita Brahmachari

Amy May knows about webs of worries - so many people she meets are caught in them, from her own artist dad to newly arrived refugee Rima and her family. By being brave enough to open up her worry box, Amy May helps all those around her find a way forward.



Non-fiction

Everything You Need To Ace Computer Science And Coding

A lively, information-packed, and fully illustrated guide which makes it all sink in using key concepts, mnemonic devices, definitions, diagrams, and doodles.