
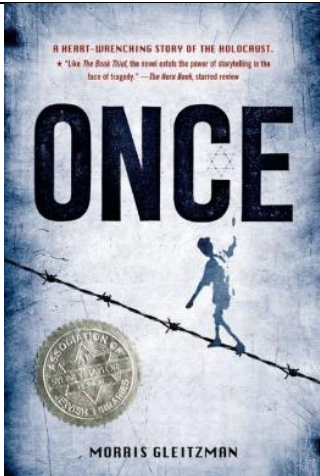
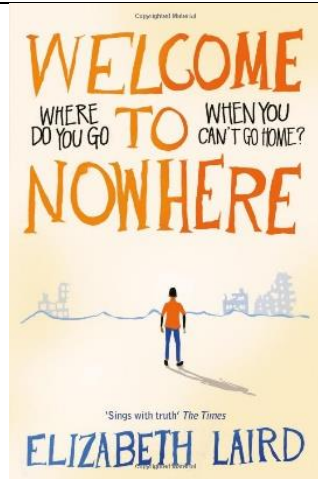


# Tutor Reading Programme

Our Tutor Reading Programme for Years 7-11 aims to promote the enjoyment of reading as well as having proven results in increasing students' reading age.

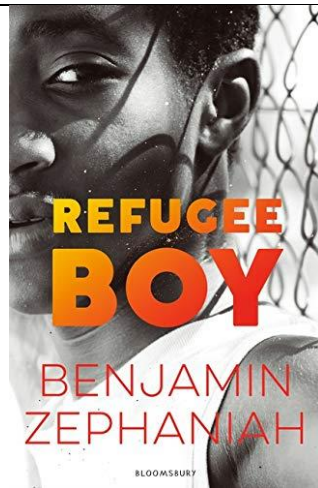
The books chosen have been selected to allow students access to a rich variety of literature, and have been carefully selected to be age appropriate, challenging and enjoyable. They cover a range of topics that will engage, inspire and promote a love of reading.

Year 7	
	Artemis Fowl is a teenage master criminal trying to restore his family fortune by extorting gold from the fairies.
	Felix, a Jewish boy in Poland in 1942, is hiding from the Nazis in a Catholic orphanage. When he thinks his parents are in danger, Felix sets off to warn them - straight into the heart of Nazi-occupied Poland.

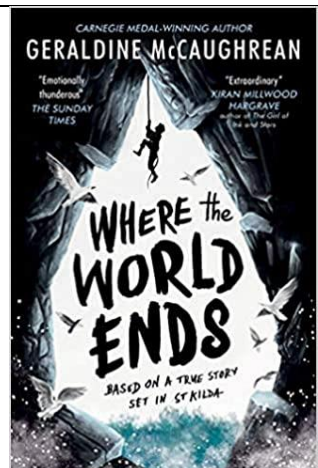


Twelve-year-old Omar and his brothers and sisters were born and raised in the beautiful and bustling city of Bosra, Syria. Omar doesn't care about politics - all he wants is to grow up to become a successful businessman.

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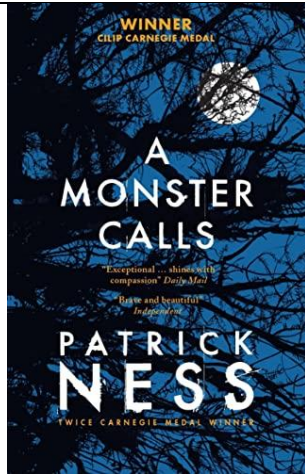


*Refugee Boy* by Benjamin Zephaniah links with our core values of determination and respect as we follow young refugee, Alem, as he tries to find a place in British society.



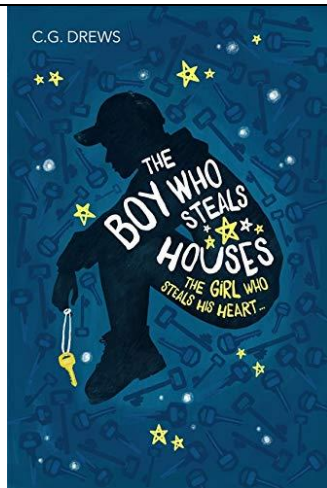
A small group of men and boys leave St Kilda for a few weeks fowling and catching sea birds. They are dropped off by a small boat and busy themselves until the boat returns to collect them - except it doesn't.

As they wait and try and come up with reasons for their desertion, they have to find ways to survive - in body and mind.

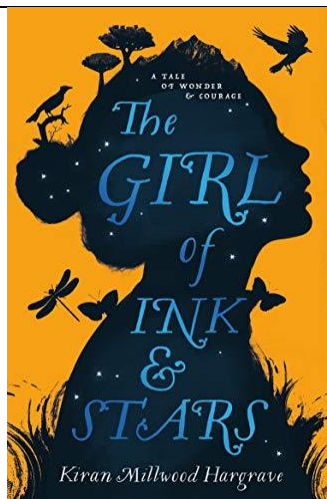


In a present-day English town, Conor O'Malley is having a recurring nightmare. When he wakes from this terrible dream, he is visited by a monster, which takes the shape of the yew tree next to the church behind Conor's house. Conor, to the monster's surprise, is not afraid of it. The monster says it is going to tell Conor three stories, after which Conor must tell a fourth.

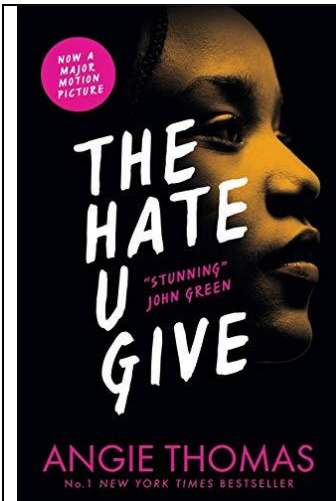
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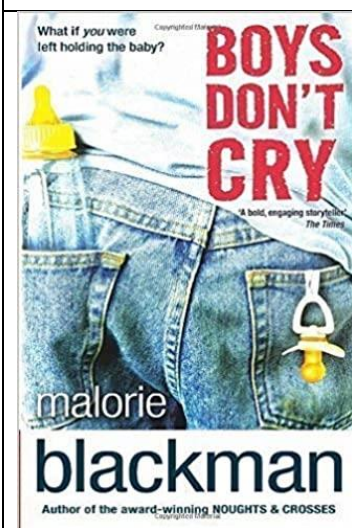
Sam is only fifteen but he and his autistic older brother, Avery, have been abandoned by every relative he's ever known. Now Sam's trying to build a new life for them.



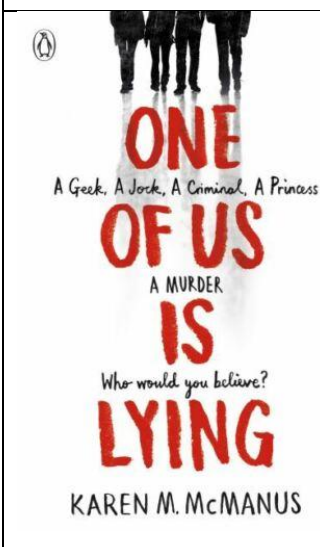
*The Girl of Ink and Stars* by Kiran Hargrave is a story of adventure and friendship and links closely with core values of love and determination. Isabella is fascinated with the ancient myths of Joya. Preoccupied with ideas of exploration and inspired by the far-flung places her father once documented, she yearns for adventure.



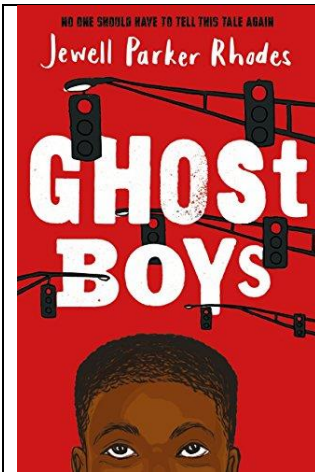
Starr witnesses the fatal shooting of her childhood best friend Khalil at the hands of a police officer. Now, facing pressure from all sides of the community, Starr must find her voice and stand up for what's right.



Dante is waiting for the postman. It's 'A' level results day and he has high hopes, but a knock on the door brings an old girlfriend and some news that will change his plans for good.



*One of Us Is Lying* is the story of what happens when five strangers walk into detention and only four walk out alive. Everyone is a suspect, and everyone has something to hide.

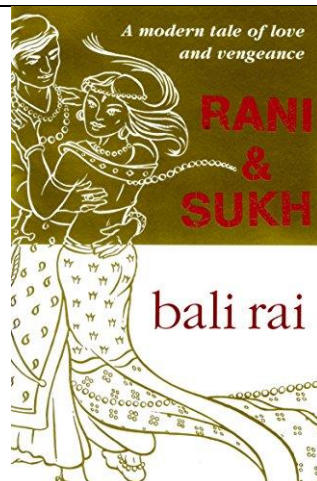


The novel tells the story of 12-year-old Jerome, who is shot by a Chicago police officer who mistakes his toy gun for a real threat. As a ghost, Jerome can see the impact the tragedy has on his family and his community.

## Year 10

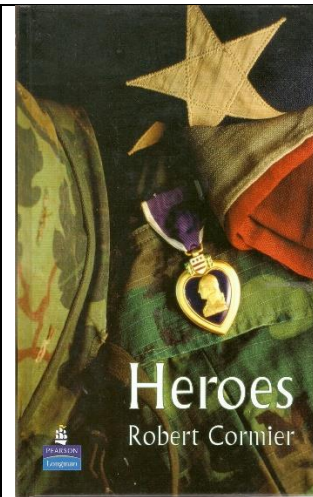


In this world, girls are outcasts by blood and warriors by choice. Sixteen-year-old Dekka lives in Otera, a deeply patriarchal ancient kingdom. She is an Alaki, a near-immortal with exceptional gifts. A stranger offers her a choice: fight for the emperor, with others just like her, or be destroyed...

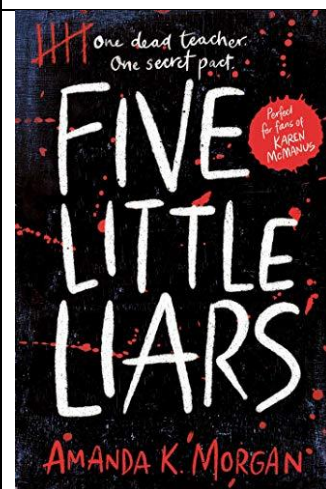


In 1960s rural Punjab, Billah Bains and Kulwant Sandhu nurture a forbidden love, but when their relationship is discovered, the Bains family have to face the wrath of Kulwant's father.

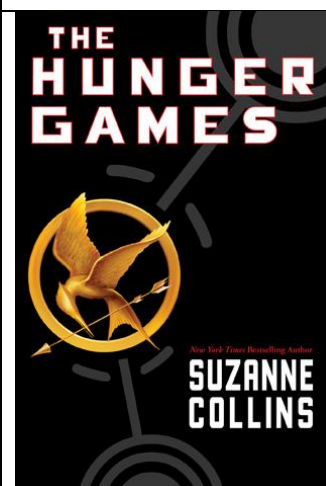
The lovers' deaths spark a bitter blood feud between the families, which is to have repercussions years later in contemporary Leicester when Sukh Bains and Rani Sandhu fall in love. Is the past repeating itself?



This novel explores and questions the nature of heroism, trust, betrayal, and guilt through the character of Francis Cassavant. Francis is the novel's protagonist and returns to his hometown after being injured in warfare, to get revenge on Larry LeSalle.



Five Little Liars deals with an altercation after a summer psychology class, where a teacher ends up dead. Ivy, Kinley, Tyler, Mattie and Cade barely knew each other before the class started a couple of weeks ago, but suddenly they all find themselves thrown together in a desperate bid to get rid of the body and cover up their tracks.



In the ruins of a place once known as North America lies the nation of Panem, a shining Capitol surrounded by twelve outlying districts. The Capitol keeps the districts in line by forcing them all to send one boy and one girl between the ages of twelve and eighteen to participate in the annual Hunger Games, a fight to the death on live TV.

Year 11

A booklet created by the MER English Department that contains a collection of **non-fiction texts** to read

	<div data-bbox="280 315 493 501" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <p><b>Literature to Promote Positive Thinking</b></p> </div>	<p>and discuss. These texts are on topics as varied as healthcare, social media, online safety, positive role models, driverless cars, animal behaviour, and political history.</p>
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<h2>Reading Lists</h2>		
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