

St Aidan's Church of England High School Library

Recommended reads for Year 10 & 11

The Alchemist	Paulo Coelho	Follow your dreams
Angela's Ashes	Frank McCourt	An Irish childhood
The Black Magician Trilogy	Trudi Canavan	Filled with magic and conspiracy
The Book of Dust	Philip Pullan	By the author of Northern Lights
The Book Thief	Markus Zusak	Thought provoking unusual read
Chasing the Stars	Malorie Blackman	Mystery, romance and space
Catcher in the Rye	J D Salinger	Coming of age novel
Code Name Verity	Elizabeth Wein	1943, France, a British plane crashes
Cold Comfort Farm	Stella Gibbons	Witty novel about a chaotic family
Curious Incident of the Dog in the Nighttime	Mark Haddon	An unusual murder Mystery
The Declaration	Gemma Malley	The year 2014 and people can live forever
Do Androids Dream of Electric Sheep?	Philip K Dick	Science fiction
The Humans	Matt Haig	Funny, yet poignant
Empire of the Sun	J G Ballard	Japan in World War 2
Eragon	Christopher Paolini	Fantasy
Fahrenheit 451	Ray Bradbury	Thought provoking vision of the future
Fever Pitch	Nick Hornby	A fanatical football supporter
Flawed	Cecelia Ahern	A society where perfection is paramount
Front Lines	Michael Grant	Second World War story
Great Expectations	Charles Dickens	The fortunes of Pip
The Hate You Give	Angie Thomas	Life in a tough gangland town in the USA
The Help	Kathryn Stockett	Prejudice in 1960s America
How I Live Now	Meg Rosoff	Romance, war, politics
I am Malala	Malala Yousafzai	Experience of life under the Taliban
I Capture the Castle	Dodie Smith	Love, sibling rivalry, bohemian life
Jane Eyre	Charlotte Bronte	A masterpiece
Junk	Melvin Burgess	Junk = despair
Ketchup Clouds	Annabel Pitcher	Romance, death row and secrets
The Kite Runner	Khaled Hosseini	Boyhood friendship in Afghanistan

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Life of Pi	Yann Martel	Read the book before you see the film
Lord of the Ring	JRR Tolkien	Middle Earth adventure
Lost on Mars	Paul Magrs	Gripping Sci-Fi thriller
Maus	Art Spiegelman	Graphic novel based on the Holocaust
The Moonstone	Wilkie Collins	Classic detective novel
My Sister's Keeper	Jodi Picoult	Gripping emotional story line
Nineteen Eighty Four	George Orwell	Totalitarian Government of the future
Notes From a Small Island	Bill Bryson	Travel book which may make you laugh out loud
The Number 1 Ladies' Detective Agency	Alexander McCall Smith	Humorous novel set in Botswana
Ode to Kirihito	Osamu Tezuka	Comic book mastery
Orangeboy	Patrice Lawrence	a gritty young adult thriller
Persepolis	Marjane Satrapi	Growing up during the Islamic Revolution (graphic novel)
Rebecca	Daphne Du Maurier	Classic romantic mystery
Pride and Prejudice	Jane Austen	The much loved novel
Saint Death	Marcus Sedgwick	growing up in a Mexican slum
Their Eyes Were Watching God	Zoran Hurston	African American literature
The Time Machine	H G Wells	Classic time travel
Vanishing of Katharina Linden	Helen Grant	Gripping plot and characters
We Were Liars	E Lockhart	A group of 4 friends, an accident, a Secret
Wuthering Heights	Emily Bronte	"one of the greatest books ever written"

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