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Recommended Reading

November - December | 2023 | KS3

Welcome to our half termly reading newsletter. Each term, we will recommend books from a range of genres and styles.

Don't forget to check out our reading lists aimed at specific year groups. All are available on our website.

The English Department

The Sky Over Rebecca



Adventure | Friendship | Family | War

When mysterious footprints appear in the Stockholm snow, ten-year-old Kara must discover where they've come from - and who they belong to. The trail of footprints leads Kara to Rebecca, a thirteen-year-old Jewish girl, and her younger brother Samuel. Kara realises they are refugees - from another time, World War Two - and are trying to find their way home.

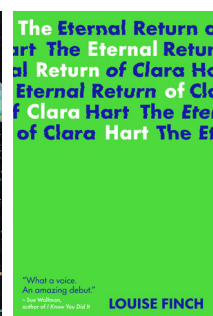
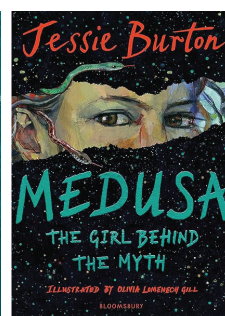
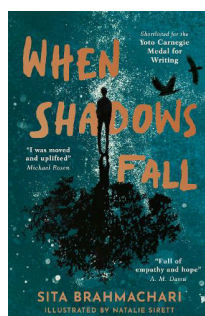
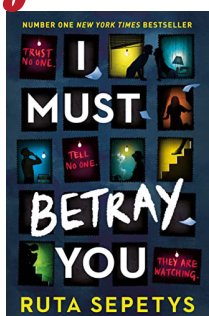
The grief and loneliness that Rebecca and Samuel have endured is something Kara can relate to - feeling like you're always on the outside looking in - and she finds herself compelled to help them escape. Through her eyes, we rediscover the magic that lies in the world around us, if only we have the courage to look for it.

Kara is a heroine for modern times: fragile but fierce, in this utterly compelling story from Matthew Fox.

Yoto Carnegie Shortlist 2023



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The Yoto Carnegie Medal for Writing is awarded by children's librarians for an outstanding book written in English for children and young people. Each year a book is selected from a shortlist.

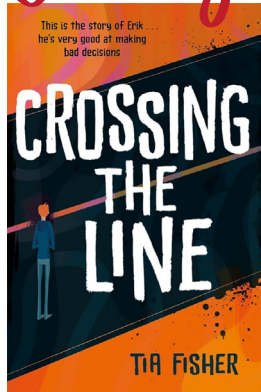
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Crossing the Line



Thriller | Poetry | Mature themes

'Do you feel safe?'

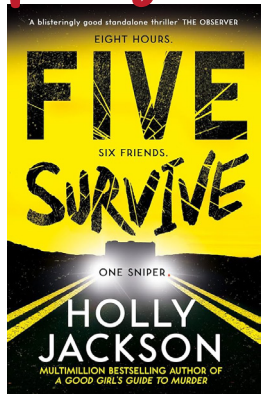
A powerful novel exploring how teenagers can be swept up into county lines. For fans of PUNCHING THE AIR and SPLINTERS OF SUNSHINE.

Erik's life has been falling apart ever since his dad died. Homework and being good at school stop feeling important when you're the new man of the house. When Erik's bad behaviour attracts the wrong crowd, he's sucked into a terrifying new world of drug dealing, trap houses and violence.

Making money feels good but Erik soon learns that a small favour can become a huge debt.

And when his sisters' lives are threatened, Erik will have to cross one more line to save them.

Five Survive



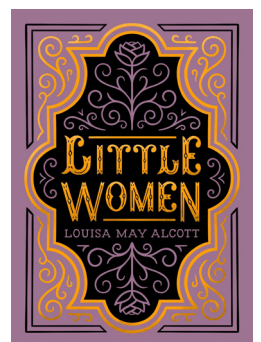
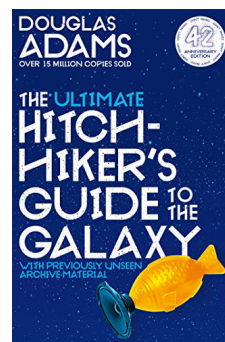
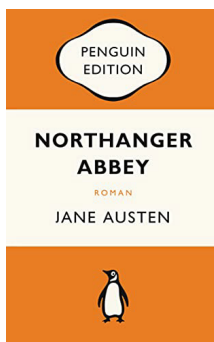
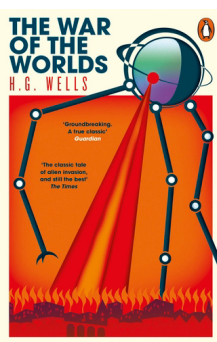
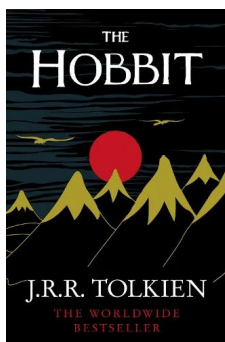
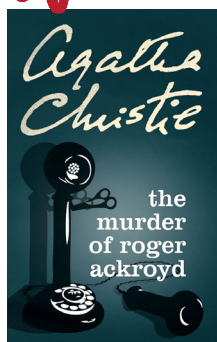
Secrets | Friendship | Mystery Thriller

The brand new unmissable crime thriller from Holly Jackson, best-selling, award-winning author of the Good Girl's Guide to Murder trilogy.

Eight hours. Six friends. One sniper . . .

Eighteen year old Red and her friends are on a road trip in an RV, heading to the beach for Spring Break. It's a long drive but spirits are high. Until the RV breaks down in the middle of nowhere. There's no mobile phone reception and nobody around to help. And as the wheels are shot out, one by one, the friends realise that this is no accident. There's a sniper out there in the dark watching them and he knows exactly who they are. One of the group has a secret that the sniper is willing to kill for.

What about a classic?





A student who reads is a student who succeeds.

We love hearing about books you have
read so let us know what book you think
everyone should read!

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