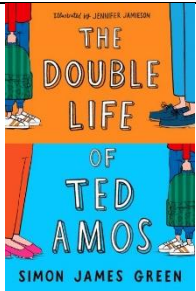
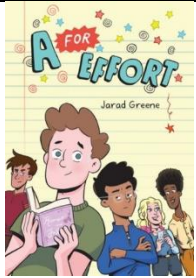
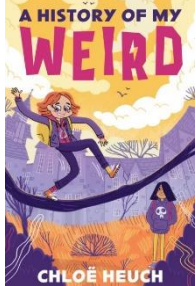
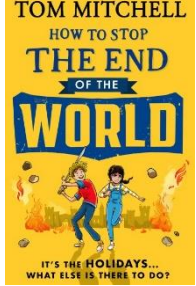

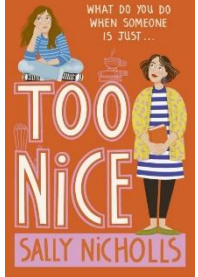

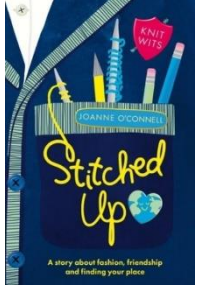

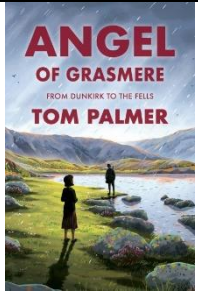


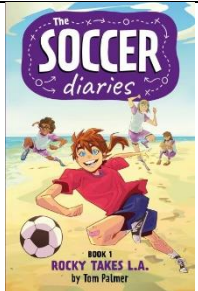




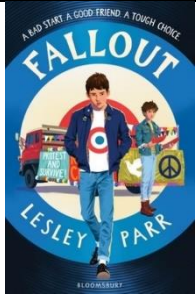


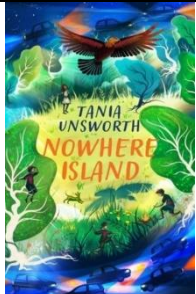




**2024-25 RECOMMENDED READS YEAR 7**

	<b>The Doll Twin</b>	<b>Beacham, Janine</b>	From a lighthouse family, Una has lived in a children's home since her mother's death and her father's disappearance. She is thrilled when the Smiths adopt her. Settling into her new family, Una is unnerved by the eerie house, which used to belong to a dollmaker, and discovers a lifelike doll replica of herself. As legends and secrets emerge, she begins to fear being replaced by her automaton twin and sent back to the children's home. This atmospheric, creepy tale blends mystery and supernatural twists.	Year 6 Younger Teen  
	<b>The Last Life of Lori Mills</b>	<b>Boucherrat, Max</b>	Join Lori Mills for a night of pure terror! Lori is home alone for the first time ever and cannot wait to spend hours playing her favourite game, Voxminer. But can she be brave when the game starts glitching and whispering to her? Count down the chapters as Lori tries to survive until mum gets home!	Younger Teen Reads   
	<b>Drowning in my Bedroom</b>	<b>Cole, Steve</b>	Gayla is trapped as floodwaters engulf her bedroom in a residential centre. While others are evacuated, Gayla's disabilities mean she must wait for her father and is now stranded. Street kid Junjun's shack is destroyed and he must find medicine for his sister who is sick from contaminated water. Initially, they pity each other, but as the waters rise, can they work together to survive? This gripping survival tale highlights the devastating impact of global warming on vulnerable lives.	Year 6 Younger Teen   
	<b>Secrets of the Snakestone</b>	<b>DasGupta, Piu</b>	1895 Paris. Zelig Dutta is working as a maid for the cruel Madame Malaise and regularly faces prejudice for her Indian heritage and strange mismatched eyes. When 'sewer boy' Jules finds her father's locket thousands of miles from where it (and he) should be, she knows something is very wrong. Together they set out to solve the mystery of why she was sent to Paris, rescue a sloth and battle a secret society in their quest to find her missing father.	Younger Teen Reads  

	<p><b>The Double Life of Ted Amos</b></p>	<p><b>Green, Simon James</b></p>	<p>Edward Amos is known as ‘Bin Juice Boy’ by everyone except his friend Archie, who shares his love of Star Wars costumes and silly notes. But everyone else bullies him. When his parents split, weekends at his Dad’s are a chance to reinvent himself as ‘Ted’ - a cool, athletic, band member. With Ted’s new persona built on lies, what happens when his new friends, and Archie, discover the truth? Ted’s antics highlight the pressure to be ‘cool’ and the desire to avoid bullying. A funny and relatable story.</p>	<p>Childrens Fiction</p>
	<p><b>A For Effort</b></p>	<p><b>Greene, Jarad</b></p>	<p>Starting high school brings all kinds of new experiences for Jay – new teachers, new subjects and new friends, but as the challenges and pressure mount, will his new friends help him negotiate them successfully or add even more pressure? This graphic novel explores all the ups and downs of starting a new school with humour and sensitivity.</p>	<p>Year 6 Younger Teen</p>
	<p><b>A History of my Weird</b></p>	<p><b>Heuch, Chloe</b></p>	<p>Mo’s life is changing too fast. Starting secondary school, she’s often sent out of class for her “disruptive” behaviour. Neurodivergent, she struggles to make friends, as classmates are bemused by her stimming and corrections. She hates her developing body. When she and new friend Carys/Onyx learn of a disused Victorian asylum, they sneak in despite warnings. Onyx opens up about her issues, but disaster strikes: the floor collapses, and Onyx vanishes into darkness.</p>	<p>Year 6 Younger Teen</p> 
	<p><b>How to Stop the End of the World</b></p>	<p><b>Mitchell, Tom</b></p>	<p>Colin faces a dull summer. His parents, unhappy with his Xbox time, urge him to get fit after he botches a family relay race. On his way home, Colin notices strange chalk markings and suspicious strangers claiming to install broadband. Suspecting they’re burglars, Colin investigates. He later sees them digging in his garden and taking a sword. With new friend Lucy and her history professor dad, they race to return the sword to prevent the world’s end. A hilarious adventure.</p>	<p>Younger Teen Reads</p>  

	<b>Too Nice</b>	<b>Nicholls, Sally</b>	<p>Used to life with just her dad, Abby struggles when his new girlfriend, Jen, moves in. Jen isn't a wicked stepmother - in fact, she's too nice, always showering Abby with compliments. But what seems kind feels fake and suffocating to Abby. Torn between her feelings and the fear of seeming unfair, Abby grapples with how to tell her dad what's really bothering her, even when Jen hasn't done anything wrong. A touching story about change, anxiety and family dynamics.</p>	Younger Teen Reads 
	<b>Stitched Up</b>	<b>O'Connell, Joanne</b>	<p>Cassie, a year 7 student, loves fashion history and vintage clothes, while her best friend Azra adores current trends. Their eco-conscious classmate Fern prefers upcycled outfits. Tasked with designing a new school uniform, tensions rise among the trio. Cassie feels pressured to fit in but finds solace in The Knitwits, a local knitting group. As Cassie learns to stay true to herself, she leads the group to new design heights, finding acceptance and confidence.</p>	Year 6 Younger Teen 
	<b>Angel of Grasmere</b>	<b>Palmer, Tom</b>	<p>The Lake District, 1940. Tarn struggles to come to terms with the loss of her brother Joss at Dunkirk. Along with her friend Peter and evacuee Eric, she spends hours on the fells planning a future of adventure and discovering clues about the 'Angel of Grasmere' - an unknown man who stalks the fells doing kind deeds for the village community. With thrilling action, heartfelt moments, and a strong sense of place, this is a gripping historical story of bravery and resilience as Tarn seeks to uncover the truth.</p>	Younger Teen Reads  
	<b>Rocky Takes L.A.</b>	<b>Palmer, Tom</b>	<p>Fourteen-year-old Rocky Race isn't your typical teen - she's determined, ambitious, and a phenomenal football player. When she earns a spot at a prestigious soccer camp in California, it seems like a dream come true. But far from home and among equally talented players, Rocky encounters unexpected challenges - fake friends, growing anxiety, and a world with unfamiliar rules. Struggling to fit in, she must dig deep to find the strength to overcome these obstacles. Can Rocky rise to the challenge and succeed?</p>	Childrens Fiction  

	<b>Fallout</b>	<b>Parr, Lesley</b>	<p>Everyone expects Marcus to live up to his family name - with one brother in a youth offender centre and another planning the next theft with their dad. But in the summer of 1980, Marcus starts to expand his horizons. When a mysterious accident lands a new friend in the hospital and Marcus is blamed, he feels trapped. Only new girl Emma, with her peace protest banners and political badges, questions the story. Can they clear his name and help Marcus find his own path?</p>	<p>Younger Teen Reads</p> 
	<b>The Girl Who Couldn't Lie</b>	<b>Sanghani, Radhika</b>	<p>Priya Shah lies. A lot. She's just trying to convince everyone that things are fine, but she misses talking to her loving Ba (grandma) who died a year ago. But when she slips on the bangle left by her Ba, she suddenly can't lie anymore. Mortified, she tells her dad she hates his cooking, confesses her crush to Dan Zhang, and spills her friends' secrets. Unable to remove the bangle, Priya's truth-telling spirals out of control.</p>	<p>Younger Teen Reads</p>
	<b>Nowhere Island</b>	<b>Unsworth, Tania</b>	<p>Gil, escaping yet another foster family, jumps into a random car at a petrol station and ends up stranded on Nowhere Island, an intersection between two lanes of the motorway. There, he discovers three children: brothers, Riley and Grayson, who fled an abusive father and Pez, who escaped a cult. Together, they form an unlikely family, who struggle to survive as their home is threatened. The characters are wonderfully engaging, creating a compelling story of belonging.</p>	<p>Year 6 Younger Teen</p>  



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