

Why schools should stop pushing reading for pleasure

“I put up a slide about them killing the school therapy dog because of them not being able to read its medication. And that got their attention because, obviously, they’d be pretty sad if they killed the school therapy dog.”

To be clear, Estelle Bellamy, director of learning in English at Fylde Coast Academy Trust, is not a dog murderer. Rather, she is just not convinced that telling teenagers to love reading - or creating an environment aimed at making that happen - makes much difference to reading habits and, as a consequence, reading ability.







i'm lovin' it®

*Delicious starts
right here!*



BREAKFAST

(served until 10:30am)

Egg McMuffin
Sausage McMuffin
Sausage McMuffin with Egg
Bacon, Egg, & Cheese Biscuit
Sausage Biscuit
Sausage Biscuit with Egg
Bacon, Egg, & Cheese
McGriddles
Sausage McGriddles
Sausage, Egg, & Cheese
McGriddles
Big Breakfast
Big Breakfast with Hotcakes
Hotcakes
Hotcakes & Sausage
Sausage Burrito
Hash Browns
Fruit & Maple Oatmeal

BREAKFAST EXTRA VALUE MENU

EXTRA VALUE MENU

- #1 Big Mac
- #2a Quarter Pounder w/Cheese
- #2b Quarter Pounder w/Cheese
& Bacon
- #2c Quarter Pounder w/Cheese
Deluxe
- #3 Dbl Quarter Pounder
w/Cheese
- #4a Crispy Chicken Sandwich
- #4b Spicy Crispy Chicken
Sandwich
- #4c Deluxe Crispy Chicken
Sandwich
- #4d Spicy Deluxe Crispy
Chicken Sandwich
- #5 10-Pc Chicken Nuggets
- #6 Filet-O-Fish
- #7 Cheeseburger (2)

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Fuel the Day

Typical value per 100g 30g serving with 125ml of semi skimmed milk

	1606 kJ 379 kcal	733 kJ 173 kcal
ENERGY		
PROTEIN	14 g	9 g
CARBOHYDRATE	76 g	29 g
of which sugars	17 g	11 g
starch	59 g	18 g
FAT	1.5 g	2.5 g
of which saturates	0.5 g	1.5 g
FIBRE	2.5 g	0.8 g
SODIUM	0.45 g	0.2 g
SALT	1.15 g	0.5 g
VITAMINS:	(% RDA)	(% RDA)
VITAMIN D	8.3 µg (167)	2.5 µg (50)
VITAMIN C	134 mg (167)	42 mg (52)
THIAMIN (B ₁)	1.8 mg (167)	0.6 mg (55)
RIBOFLAVIN (B ₂)	2.3 mg (167)	1 mg (72)
NIACIN	26.7 mg (167)	8.2 mg (51)
VITAMIN B ₆	2.3 mg (167)	0.8 mg (56)
FOLIC ACID	334 µg (167)	108 µg (54)
VITAMIN B ₁₂	4.2 µg (167)	1.8 µg (71)
MINERALS:		
IRON	11.6 mg (83)	3.5 mg (25)





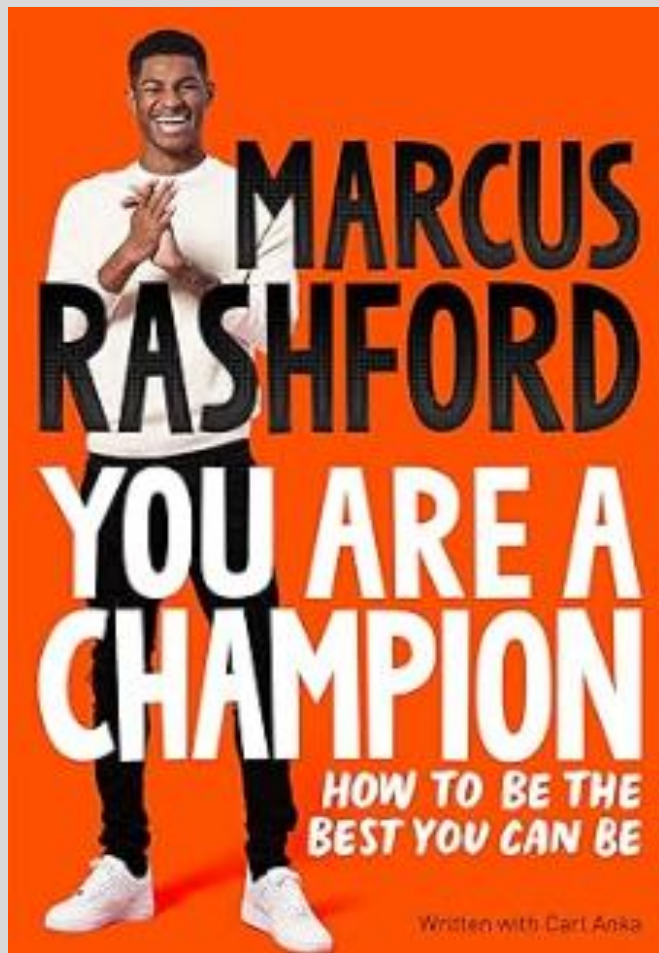






The BookTok Generation:
How social media is
transforming Gen Z
reading habits



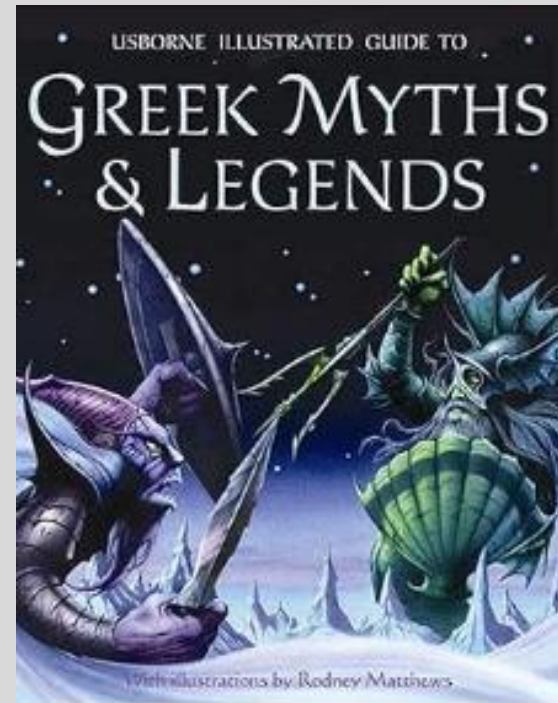
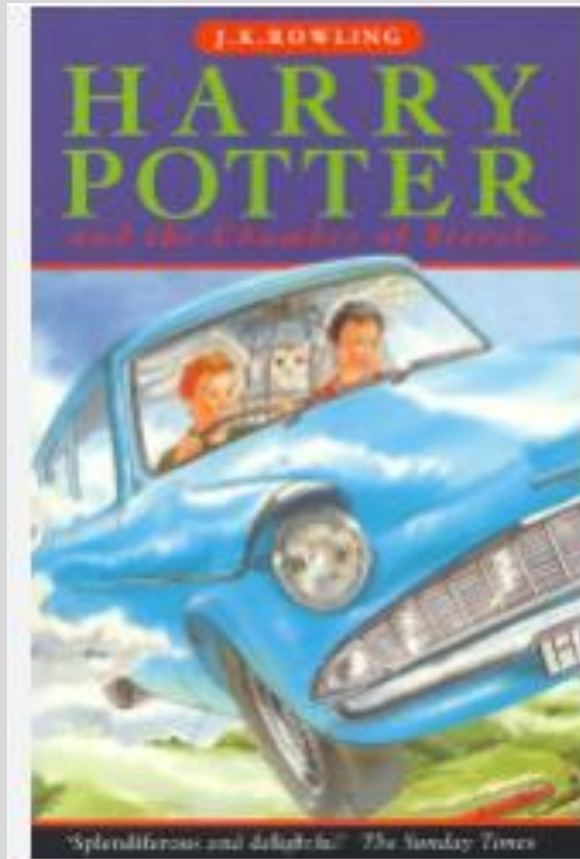


TAYLOR SWIFT

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EMILY HARRIS



Alla elever behöver lämna skolan via receptionen idag. När du lämnar, om du säger "Jag älskar Montgomery", kommer du att få 100 pund.

生徒は全員、今日受付から下校する必要があります。帰るときに「モンゴメリーを愛しています」と言えば、100ポンドを与えられます。

All students need to leave school via reception today. As you leave, if you say, 'I love Montgomery', you will be given 100 pounds.

All students
reception
'I love M
pounds.



ol via
you say,
given 100

Do you like books?
Or do you like
reading?





**LET'S TALK
READING**



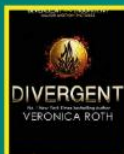
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RECOMMENDED READS



suggested by teachers across the trust

YEAR EIGHT



Divergent Series
Veronica Roth



Time Riders
Alex Scarrow



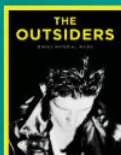
Heroes of Olympus
Rick Riordan



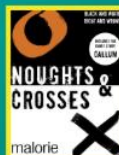
Wee Free Men
Terry Pratchett



Ready Player One
Ernest Cline



The Outsiders
SE Hinton



Noughts and Crosses
Malorie Blackman



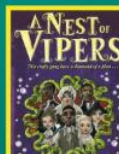
Chinglish
Sue Cheung



Ultimate Football Heroes
Matt & Tom Oldfield



The Hate U Give
Angie Thomas



A Nest of Vipers
Catherine Johnson



The Invisible Boy
Alyssa Hollingsworth

READING
is to the
MIND
what
exercise
is to the **BODY.**

RECOMMENDED
READS
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The best we can be
suggested by teachers across the trust

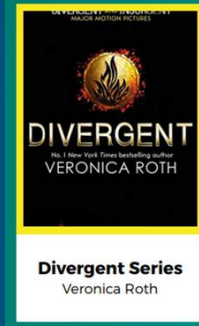
**“Reading is the
gateway skill that
makes all other
learning possible.”**
BARACK OBAMA

YEAR SEVEN



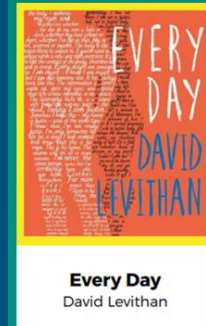
Twelve boys and twelve girls are forced to appear in a live event called The Hunger Games. There is only one rule: kill or be killed.

YEAR EIGHT

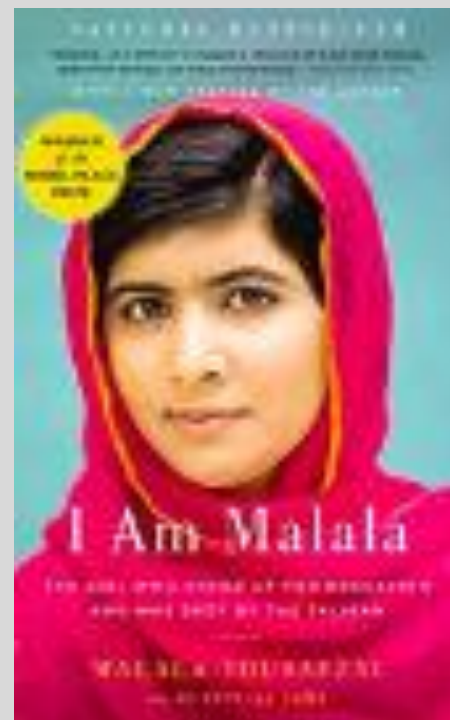


Beatrice Price is on the brink of a decision to change her life. In a society divided into factions, all are forced to choose where they belong. What will she decide?

YEAR NINE



Every day is in love with the same girl. Every morning, A wakes in a different person's body, a different person's life. There's never any warning about where it will be or who it will be. A has made peace with that, even established guidelines by which to live: Never get too

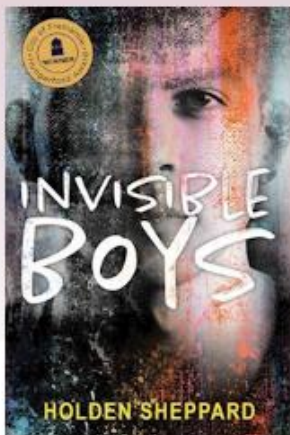


Montgomery Academy

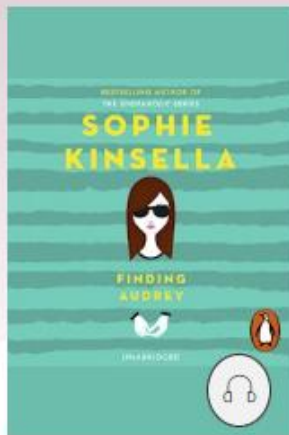
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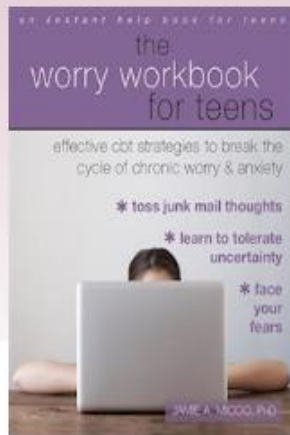
Wellness Resources



Invisible Boys



Finding Audrey



The Worry Workbook f...



Mindfulness for Stude...



Turtles All the Way Do...



**LET'S TALK
READING**

SPEAK



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LISTEN



FCAT

THINK



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BIG UP YOUR BOOK

Each of the nominated books now have 1 minute to speak about their book and say why others **MUST read it**



Garstang Community Academy bucks national trend in literacy survey

Disturbingly, only 1 in 3 children and young people nationwide reported enjoying reading in their free time, and a mere 1 in 5 claimed to read something daily outside of school. However, Garstang Community Academy's internal literacy survey reveals a significantly more positive outcome, demonstrating a clear divergence from the national trend.

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