

KS4 Reading List

Pittville School is committed to encouraging and nurturing readers.

Below you will find a short list of books we hope will both provide supplementary reading for students wishing to widen their contextual knowledge, and also some well-loved classics and newer inspiring fictional reads. In all cases we hope they will encourage even the most reluctant reader to practise and enjoy this wonderful past time.

Books with an asterix (*) are particularly important for the GCSE course.

1984 – George Orwell

A Christmas Carol* – Charles Dickens

A Greyhound of a Girl – Roddy Doyle

American Gods – Neil Gaiman

A Monster Calls – Patrick Ness

Animal Farm – George Orwell

An Inspector Calls* – JB Priestley

Brave New World – Aldous Huxley

Catch 22 – Joseph Heller

Catcher in the Rye – JD Salinger

Daisy Chain War – Joan O’Neill

Divergent Trilogy – Veronica Roth

Every Day – David Levithan

Fever Pitch – Nick Hornby

Frankenstein – Mary Shelley

Great Expectations* – Charles Dickens

Hitchhiker’s Guide to the Galaxy – Douglas Adams

In Darkness – Nick Lake

Lord of the Flies – William Golding

Macbeth* – William Shakespeare

Never Let Me Go – Kazuo Ishiguro

Northern Lights – Phillip Pullman

Notes from a Small Island – Bill Bryson

Of Mice and Men – John Steinbeck

Pride and Prejudice – Jane Austen

Rebecca – Daphne Du Maurier

Romeo and Juliet* – William Shakespeare

The Adrian Mole books – Sue Townsend

The Adventure of English – Melvyn Bragg

The Fault in our Stars – John Green

The Life of Pi – Yann Martell

The Road – Cormac McCarthy

The Scar Boys – Len Vlahos

The Teenagers' Guide to Money – Jonathan Self

The Time Traveller's Wife – Audrey Niffenegger

The Wasp Factory – Iain Banks

The Weight of Water – Sarah Crossan

The Woman in Black – Susan Hill

To Kill A Mockingbird – Harper Lee

Touching the Void – Joe Simpson

We Are All Made of Molecules – Susan Neilsen

Wonder – R J Palacio

Wuthering Heights – Emily Bronte

Yes Man – Danny Wallace