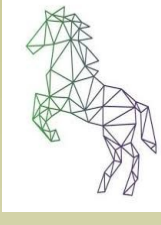
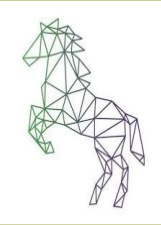


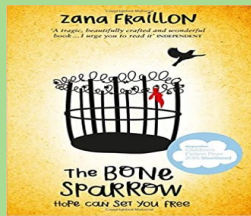
The 'Lockdown Library'



KS3 READING RECOMMENDATIONS TO GET YOU THROUGH TO THE OTHER SIDE!

<u>Genre / Category</u>	<u>Recommendations</u>	<u>Comment</u>
<p>Science Fiction</p>	<p><i>The Giver</i> - Lois Lowry <i>The Chaos Walking Trilogy</i> - Patrick Ness <i>Skyward</i> - Brandon Sanderson</p> 	<p>For lovers of Science Fiction, these three certainly come highly recommended.....</p> <p>Mr Donnelly says: "Patrick Ness may well be the greatest living young adult Science Fiction author! Or maybe Sanderson. Or maybe Lowry..."</p>
<p>Reluctant readers</p>	<p><i>Seven</i> (The series) - by seven different authors <i>The Stinkbomb and Ketchup-Face</i> (The series) John Dougherty <i>A Boy Called Twister</i>— Ann Schraff David Walliams and Roald Dahl books Scary Stories to Tell in the Dark— Alvin Schwartz</p> 	<p>Sometimes it is difficult to get into reading, especially if you don't think you are the strongest reader. The Seven series are action-packed books about 7 teenage boys following mysterious missions set out in their grandfather's will. They can be read in any order and are really accessible and engaging reads.</p> <p>Mrs Webber says: "The 'Stinkbomb' books are silly, bizarre and full of dodgy badgers, pizza and porcupines. Surely the perfect combo for a fun read?!"</p>
<p>High Fliers</p> 	<p><i>To Kill a Mockingbird</i>—Harper Lee <i>Jane Eyre</i>—Charlotte Bronte <i>1884</i>—George Orwell <i>The Power of One</i>—Bryce Courtney</p>	<p>These books are all classics and for good reason. Dealing with important experiences and themes, they feature on many 'must read' lists for adults and younger readers alike. They also offer a 'reading pathway' to other texts, for example Lee's follow up <i>Go Set a Watchman</i>, or other books by the Bronte sisters .</p>
<p>Action and Adventure</p>	<p><i>The Way of the Warrior</i> (Young Samurai, Book 1) - Chris Bradford <i>Beck Granger adventure series</i> - Bear Grylls <i>Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief</i> - Rick Riordan <i>The Spiderwick Chronicles</i> - Tony DiTerlizzi and Holly Black <i>Silver Fin</i> (Young Bond series) - Charlie Higson <i>Enola Holmes Mysteries</i> (series)— Nancy Springer</p>	<p>Miss Wardle says:"These are all recommendations that came from a parent whose son really enjoyed them and thought others would too. They are all series so make sure that you begin with the first one!"</p> 

Well loved treasures



His Dark Materials (trilogy) –

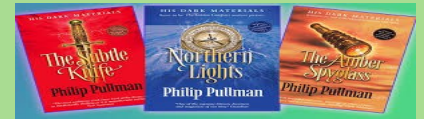
Philip Pullman

The Bone Sparrow - Zana Fraillon

Great Expectations—Charles Dickens

Refugee Boy—Benjamin Zephaniah

Of the *His Dark materials*, trilogy, Mrs Webber says: "Now considered to be modern classics, these vivid and enthralling books have captured readers' imaginations the world over. Armoured bears, dangerous strangers and deadly experiments inhabit Pullman's mesmerising parallel universe."



Dystopian visions



The Maze Runner (series)

-James Dashner

The Hunger Games (series)

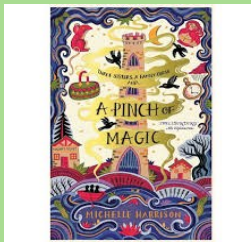
-Suzanne Collins

Mortal Engines (series)

-Philip Reeve

Miss Wardle says: "Addictive both for teenage readers and adults alike, these books are thoroughly gripping, exciting reads, with important things to say. The beauty of them is that each is part of a series -so will keep you entertained and enthralled for longer!"

Fantasy



The Girl Who Drank the Moon

- Kelly Barnhill

A Pinch of Magic- Michelle Harrison

The Girl who speaks bear or *The Castle of Tangled Magic'*

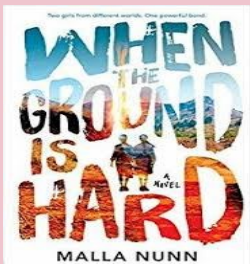
-Sophie Anderson

Beetle Boy' trilogy - M.G. Leonard

Mrs Stokes says "A Pinch of Magic is a great read; it intertwines magic, adventure and sibling rivalry all in a really evocative setting with intriguing characters."

Mrs. Slade says "Sophie Anderson is an absolutely amazing writer; her books mix Eastern European folklore and magic perfectly."

Stories about friendship



Strange Birds: A Field Guide to Ruffling Feathers— Celia C Perez

When the Ground is Hard—Malla Nunn

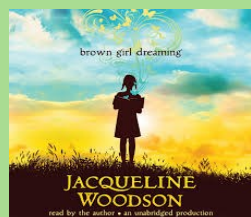
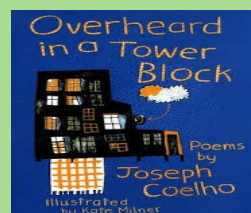
Little Women— Louisa May Alcott

Darius the Great is not Okay—Adib Khorram

When the Ground Is Hard won the 2019 *Los Angeles Times* Book Prize for Young Adult Literature. Set in Apartheid-era Swaziland in 1965, it covers themes like race and class through the story of an unlikely friendship between two girls.

Miss Wardle says: "*Little Women* is an uplifting and relatable study of the friendships (and fallouts) between sisters. Great film versions too!"

Poetry



Brown Girl Dreaming—Jacqueline Woodson

Old Possum's Book of Practical Cats— T.S Eliot

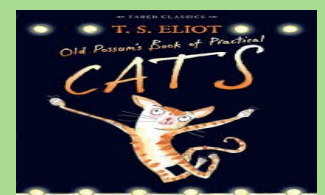
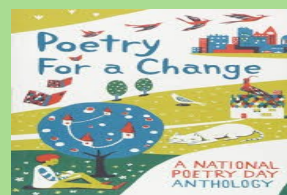
Overheard in a Tower Block—Joseph Coelho

Poetry for a Change— A National Poetry Day Anthology

Michael Rosen and Spike Milligan

Poetry is often forgotten about, but can provide escapism, provoke thought, provide much needed laughter and inspire our imaginations as much as a great novel can.

This short list of titles / poets have appeared on various recommended read lists, as well as from parents and should have something to offer every reader.



The Head's recommendations



Cogheart (series) - Peter Bunz

The Secret Diary of Adrian Mole, aged 13 3/4 - Sue Townsend

Big Ideas for Curious Minds: An Introduction to Philosophy

Dr Bell says: "The *Cogheart'* series, set in an alternative Steampunk Victorian era, brims with adventure, inspiring characters and a trusty sidekick 'mechanical' fox! *Big Ideas* is fantastic, inviting readers to ponder the big questions in life with short chapters in easy to understand language but with context from famous philosophers."