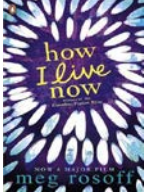
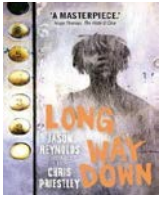
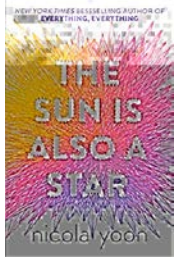
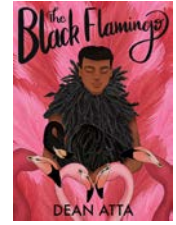
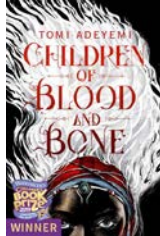

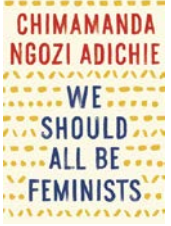



Year 9 Suggested Reading

Reading Level: + means an easy read; * means a challenge;

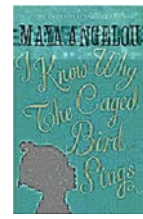
Aim to read a selection of these books during your summer holiday. You could even write a book review! Challenge yourself!

	<p>How I Live Now by Meg Rosoff</p>	<p>Fifteen-year-old Daisy thinks she knows all about love. Her mother died giving birth to her, and now her dad has sent her away for the summer, to live in the English countryside with cousins she's never even met.</p> <p>There she'll discover what real love is: something violent, mysterious and wonderful. There her world will be turned upside down and a perfect summer will explode into a million bewildering pieces. How will Daisy live then?</p> <p>Dystopian *</p>
	<p>Long Way Down by Jason Reynolds</p>	<p>When Shawn, the beloved big brother of 15-year-old Will, is shot dead, Will is ready to follow "the rules" and get revenge. After finding his brother's gun, he gets in the lift from his home on the seventh floor with Shawn's gun –and so begins a surreal journey of discovery, guided by the ghosts of other dead people in Will's life.</p> <p>The book is written in verse.</p> <p>Fantasy/Verse *</p>
	<p>The Sun Is Also a Star by Nicola Yoon</p>	<p>Natasha is having the worst day of her life. She has until 10pm to save her family from being deported back to Jamaica and not one minute can be wasted on daydreams or romance. Daniel has suddenly become the focus of his Korean parents' attention since his older brother dropped out of Harvard.</p> <p>Two people who couldn't be more different, from their upbringing to their outlook on life, collide in a whirlwind of love, tragedy and hope.</p>
	<p>The Black Flamingo by Dean Atta</p>	<p>This is not about being ready, it's not even about being fierce, or fearless, IT'S ABOUT BEING FREE. Michael waits in the stage wings, wearing a pink wig, pink fluffy coat and black heels.</p> <p>One more step will see him illuminated by spotlight. He has been on a journey of bravery to get here, and he is almost ready to show himself to the world in bold colours. Can he emerge as The Black Flamingo?</p> <p>Real Life/Identity *</p>
	<p>The Children of Blood and Bone by Tomi Adeyemi</p>	<p>Once an enchanted land, Orisha's magic vanished without trace, leaving those who wielded it enslaved to a ruthless king. But now magic is returning and one girl has the chance to turn the tide...</p> <p>When a chance encounter brings her face to face with a rogue princess escaping from the palace with an object of immense significance, Zélie finds herself on a mission to restore what was stolen from her people and claim her birthright.</p> <p>Fantasy +</p>

	<p>The Book Thief by Marcus Zusak</p>	<p>1939. Nazi Germany. The country is holding its breath. Death has never been busier. Liesel, a nine-year-old girl, is living with a foster family on Himmel Street. Her parents have been taken away to a concentration camp. Liesel steals books. This is her story and the story of the inhabitants of her street when the bombs begin to fall.</p> <p><i>SOME IMPORTANT INFORMATION - THIS NOVEL IS NARRATED BY DEATH.</i></p> <p>Historical *</p>
	<p>We Should All Be Feminists by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie</p>	<p>An adaptation of the TED talk of the same name, Adichie talks of her experience of sexism growing up in Nigeria and how it has affected her life. It discusses why we still need feminism and why each and every person should be a feminist.</p> <p>A powerful introduction into the topic of feminism and gives a brief insight into how it can go unnoticed in society.</p> <p>Non-Fiction Essay *</p>
	<p>Generation Hope: You(th) Can Make A Difference by Kimberlie Hamilton</p>	<p>Meet Generation Hope, young activists around the globe who are acting now to save the world. <i>Generation Hope: You(th) Can Make a Difference</i> introduces 20 global issues and many change-makers, like Greta Thunberg, who are doing something to make the world a better place. Generation Hope looks at everything from climate change and plastic pollution to radical kindness and animal welfare. Facts, stats and practical tips for taking action are laid out in a clear graphic style, with issues explained in a bite-sized, easy-to-read way.</p> <p>Non-Fiction +</p>

For a **super challenge** why not try these classics:

- Emma by Jane Austen
- Great Expectations by Charles Dickens
- I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings by Maya Angelou



"The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go." Dr. Seuss