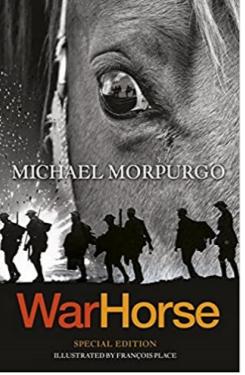
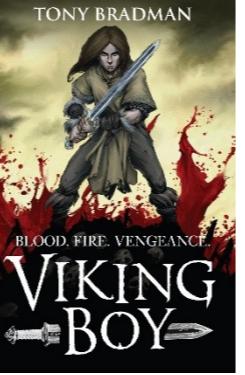
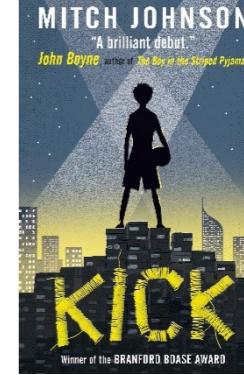
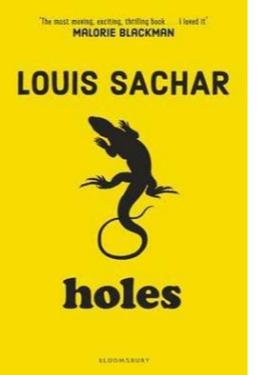
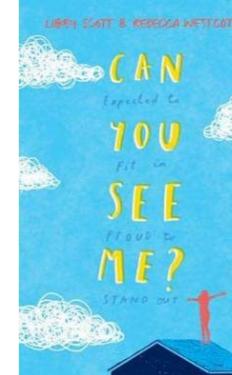


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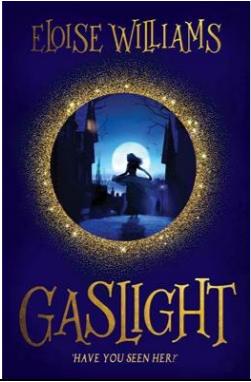
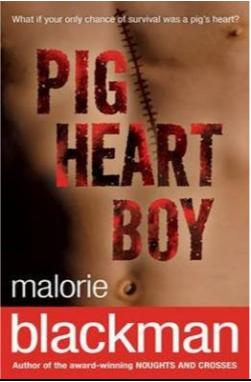
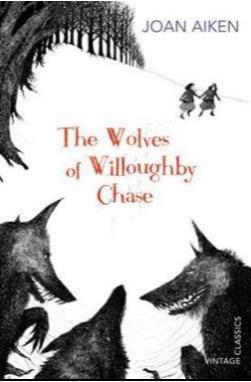
### Year 5

Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
<b>War Horse – Michael Morpurgo</b>  <p>Joey is a young farm horse, sold to the army at the beginning of the First World War. Through his eyes the reader experiences the devastation of the Western Front, his capture by the Germans and his entrapment in No Man's Land.</p> <p>Joey's tremendous courage touches soldiers of both armies; in turn, he experiences warmth and kindness amid the carnage of war, and homesickness for his old life on the farm.</p> <p>Morpurgo has approached this bitter conflict from an unusual and moving perspective, focusing on the valuable role that animals played throughout the war, and the dignity that both creatures and men showed in the face of suffering.</p>	<b>Viking Boy – Tony Bradman</b>  <p>When Gunar's father is taken by the Valkyries to Valhalla, Gunar makes it his mission to bring his father back – but unfortunately, he is no fighter. Lost, alone, and blaming himself for what has happened to his father, Gunar has no idea how to set about his task, but then he encounters a mysterious old man who sets him on the right path. But then Gunar is captured and made to work as a slave – will his father be lost to him forever?</p> <p>This engaging adventure offers a great opportunity for young readers to learn about the Vikings. Offering some intriguing insights into the history of this period, it is also an entertaining and appealing story in its own right.</p>	<b>Kick – Mitch Johnson</b>  <p>Budi works in a footwear factory in Indonesia, making the football boots he longs to wear but is unlikely to ever afford. His ambition is to be a famous football player for a team like Real Madrid, but Budi's reality is rather different. The conditions in the sweatshop are appalling, and instead of the luxurious life enjoyed by his idols, Budi has to go without food to manage on his tiny salary and live under constant threat of abuse and intimidation from the factory foreman. And when Budi attracts the notice of the dangerous Dragon, it seems less and less likely that he will ever achieve his dream.</p> <p>The harsh divide between rich and poor is examined sensitively in this moving book about one child's struggles that are, unfortunately, a fact of life for many. It's also an intelligent look at the shadow side of capitalism that holds the role of professional footballer (with its accompanying wealth) up as an aspiration for children around the world, despite their circumstances. Budi may not ever achieve what so few manage, but is that the only dream available to him? Perfect reading for anyone that enjoyed <i>The Bone Sparrow</i>.</p>
	<p>Cross-Curricular Links:</p> <p>History: 'The Struggle for Power (the Vikings)'</p>	<p>Cross-Curricular Links:</p> <p>Physical Education</p>

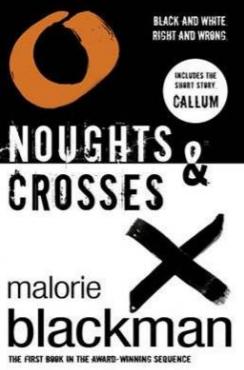
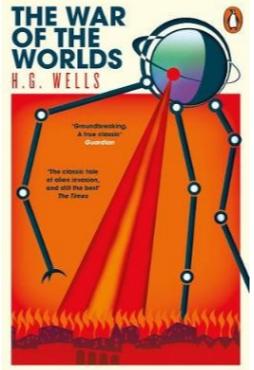
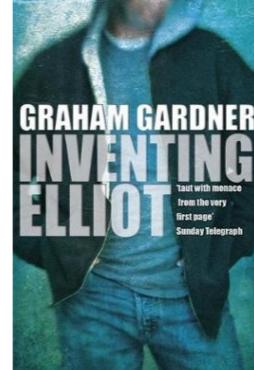
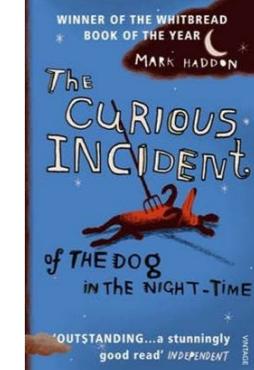
## Year 6

Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
<b>Cogheart – Peter Bunzl</b> 	<b>Holes – Louis Sachar</b> 	<b>Can You See Me – Libby Scott and Sarah Wescott</b> 
<p>Peter Bunzl's ambitious debut is set in Victorian England, 1896. But it's an alternative history, almost steampunk, with clockwork servants, silver airships and mechanical animals...</p> <p>Lily has been in trouble for some time. Her mum is dead and she's been sent to the horrible Miss Octavia Scrimshaw's Finishing Academy for Young Ladies. Now it looks like her father has died too, and silver eyed men are stalking her in league with the Madame Verdigris the housekeeper, who has stepped in as her guardian.</p> <p>They are after a mysterious something that they think Lily has - and are prepared to kill her for it.</p> <p>Expect thrills, mayhem and mystery - but in the end this is a heart-warming, enjoyable and unique tale with some deep philosophical messages about what it is to live and be happy.</p>	<p>Stanley Yelnats' family has a history of bad luck, so he is not entirely surprised when a miscarriage of justice sends him to the Camp Green Lake Juvenile Detention Centre in the middle of the Texan desert. There is in fact no lake there at all and not much green either. Stanley soon discovers that his work at the camp will be to dig a deep hole each day, and to report back about anything he finds there. Stanley gets to work - but he soon discovers there's more to the task he's been given than merely an exercise in character-building.</p> <p>This witty, inventive and utterly compelling novel from Louis Sachar is a must-read for children and adults too. A deft mixture of seriousness and humour, it is told in a direct, simple style that belies the clever construction of Sachar's powerful narrative.</p>	<p>Tally is starting secondary school and she's anxious about lots of things. Acclimatising to new surroundings and learning the ways of different teachers is tough. Plus there's the boy who calls her names, and her friends from primary school who she's always depended on before have started talking about things that just don't interest her (like boys) and cautioning her when her behaviour is embarrassing.</p> <p>Tally knows she's different: she's autistic, meaning she sees and feels everything differently to her friends and family. Now, as she enters this new stage in her life, she is painfully aware of the way she is perceived and feeling an almost unbearable pressure to try to fit in. But what exactly are the rules for being "normal"?</p> <p>Written in collaboration with young blogger Libby, who is herself autistic, this is a powerful and highly relatable story about fitting in and being yourself. Tally's diary entries give an authentic insight into one girl's perspective of being autistic, and smashing a host of common assumptions and stereotypes about autism as we see Tally's potent sense of humour and her deep empathy. Most powerful of all is Tally's ultimate realisation that autism is not something that needs to be hidden.</p>
<b>Cross-Curricular Links:</b> History: 'The Victorians'	<b>Cross-Curricular Links:</b> PSHE: 'Personal Identity'	<b>Cross-Curricular Links:</b> PSHE: 'Personal Identity' and 'Managing Change'

## Year 7

Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
<b>Gaslight – Eloise Williams</b>  <p>It's 1899 in Cardiff and Nansi lives a life in the shadows. After her mother mysteriously went missing, Nan survives by thieving and taking part in fraudulent stage shows under orders from Pernicious Sid, the Empire Theatre's ruthless owner.</p> <p>But with a love of books and her best friend Bee keeping her strong, Nansi is determined to find out the truth about what happened to her mum - even if it leads her into real danger.</p> <p>Gaslight is a fabulous ride, full of heartstopping moments as Nansi's fearlessness gets tested to the limit.</p> <p>With Dickensian characters and a brilliantly realised atmosphere, young readers will be transported into another world - there's nothing sanitised about Eloise Williams' take on Victorian Cardiff. Children and adults alike will be unable to stop tearing through the pages, just as desperate as Nansi to find out what's really been going on in those gaslit streets...</p>	<b>Pig Heart Boy – Malorie Blackman</b>  <p>Cameron desperately needs a new heart when he is offered the opportunity to take part in a radical and controversial experiment involving the transplant of a pig's heart. While Cameron soon comes to terms with the idea, he finds the world around him less accepting. A powerful and thought-provoking read.</p>	<b>The Wolves of Willoughby Chase – Joan Aiken</b>  <p>There are wolves outside the walls of Willoughby Chase, but for cousins Bonnie and Sylvia, the real danger lies inside. Their wicked governess Miss Slighcarp is working with a network of criminals, forgers and snitches to carry out a terrible plan. Bonnie and Sylvia must use all their wits if they are to escape their cruel governess - and the wolves.</p> <p>Set in an alternative 1832, in which Good King James III is on the throne, and Britain is ravaged by wolves which have migrated through the newly-opened Channel Tunnel, The Wolves of Willoughby Chase is a brilliantly inventive and imaginative offering from classic children's author Joan Aiken. Young readers who enjoy this story will relish the other wonderfully idiosyncratic stories in this series, which continues with Black Hearts in Battersea.</p>
<b>Cross-Curricular Links:</b>  History: building on 'The Victorians' taught in Year 6	<b>Cross-Curricular Links:</b>  Theology and Ethics: 'Should Animals Have the Right to Life?'  Science: building on 'Keeping Healthy' taught in Year 6	<b>PSHE: 'Relationships' and 'Substances'</b>

## Year 8

Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term	
<b>Noughts and Crosses – Malorie Blackman</b>  <p>In Malorie Blackman's groundbreaking novel, the population is divided into two: the white Noughts are second-class citizens, and the black Crosses are highly-revered and perceived as the superior race. 15-year-old Callum is a Nought, and his best friend, Sephy, as well as being a Cross, is also the daughter of one of the most influential politicians in the country.</p> <p>The story focuses on their relationship, which is frowned upon by society, and explores the discrimination they encounter at every turn. By reversing traditional racial stereotypes and presenting the White population as the oppressed race, Blackman has cleverly shown racial prejudice from a different perspective.</p> <p>As well as being a compelling tale of love and friendship, this is an outstanding and thought-provoking exploration of the futility of prejudice. A contemporary classic.</p>	<b>War of the Worlds – H.G Wells</b>  <p>The ultimate alien invasion story, Wells's electrifying yarn has been oft imitated but never bettered. Expertly combining the minutiae of late-Victorian England with the spectacular arrival of dazzlingly imagined extra-terrestrial beings, The War of the Worlds is a triumph of set piece action and pulsating atmosphere.</p> <p>When an alien capsule lands on Horsell Common, Woking, crowds of astonished onlookers gather. But wonder soon turns to terror when the Martians emerge. Armed with deadly heat rays, the aliens begin their conquest of earth. Confronted by powers beyond our control, a technology far in advance of our own, and a race of alien invaders which regard us as no more than ants, humankind faces extinction.</p> <p>While the world crumbles under the shadow of the Martian menace, one man sets out alone across the desolate wasteland to find his wife.</p>	<b>Inventing Elliot – Graham Gardner</b>  <p>After being bullied mercilessly, Elliot is determined to reinvent himself when he moves house with Mum and Dad and goes to a new school. He is going to be so cool that no one will touch him. He's going to stand out just enough not to get noticed.</p> <p>But he is too successful, and he does get noticed by the Guardians. They are a mysterious group of three who manipulate others and run the school with a reign of terror. They invite Elliot to become one of them. He faces an agonising decision, whether to use this new found power or risk standing up for himself and facing the consequences.</p>	<b>Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night Time – Mark Haddon</b>  <p>Seen through the eyes of Christopher, a mathematical genius and Sherlock Holmes fan, who also has Asperger's syndrome, this bestselling novel opens with the discovery of a murdered dog on the neighbour's lawn.</p> <p>In his search to discover the identity of the killer, Christopher uncovers some disturbing information about his own family, which throws his ordered world into chaos, and he embarks on a journey to London to find the mother he thought was dead.</p> <p>This funny, touching and compelling novel was the winner of the inaugural Booktrust Teenage Prize. A must-read for adults and children alike, it is an adventure story unlike any other.</p>
<b>Cross-Curricular Links:</b> PSHE: 'Mental Health and Well-Being', 'Relationships and Sex' and 'Friendships and Managing Influences' History: 'The Slave Trade'	<b>Cross-Curricular Links:</b> Science: 'Space' Maths: mathematical vocabulary linked to shapes.	<b>Cross-Curricular Links:</b> PSHE: 'Friendships and Managing Influences' and 'Moving Forward'	<b>Cross-Curricular Links:</b> PSHE: 'Mental Health and Well Being', 'Friendships and Managing Influences' and 'Moving Forward'