



November 2023

Welcome to our monthly reading newsletter. Each month, we will recommend books from a range of genres and styles.

Don't forget to check out our reading lists aimed at specific year groups.

The English Department

The Outsiders

Classics

Young Adult

Coming of Age

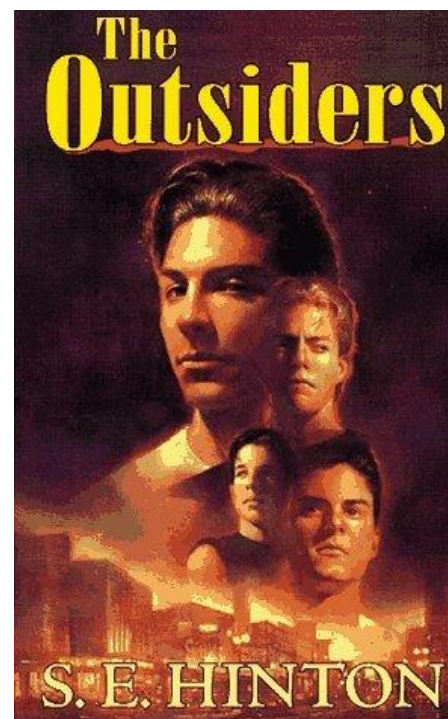
Book of the Month

The Outsiders

S.E. Hinton

The Outsiders is about two weeks in the life of a 14-year-old boy. The novel tells the story of Ponyboy Curtis and his struggles with right and wrong in a society in which he believes that he is an outsider. According to Ponyboy, there are two kinds of people in the world: greasers and socs. A soc (short for "social") has money, can get away with just about anything, and has an attitude longer than a limousine. A greaser, on the other hand, always lives on the outside and needs to watch his back. Ponyboy is a greaser, and he's always been proud of it, even willing to rumble against a gang of socs for the sake of his fellow greasers--until one terrible night when his friend Johnny kills a soc. The murder gets under Ponyboy's skin, causing his bifurcated world to crumble and teaching him that pain feels the same whether a soc or a greaser.

Recommended by Ms Anderson.



All students should have a reading book in school every day.

We recommend reading each weekday evening (and for longer at weekends)

Library Opening Times Year 7:

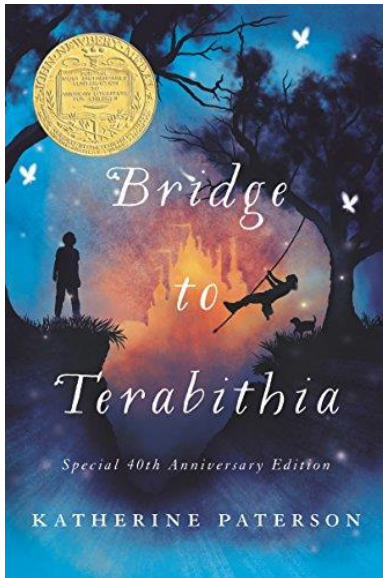
Lunchtimes: Monday, Wednesday and Friday

Library Opening Times Year 8/9/10

After School: 3:15-4:15pm



Our Recommendations



Bridge to Terabithia

Fantasy

Fiction

Young Adult

Bridge to Terabithia

Katherine Paterson

Jess Aarons has been practicing all summer so he can be the fastest runner in the fifth grade. And he almost is, until the new girl in school, Leslie Burke, outpaces him. The two become fast friends and spend most days in the woods behind Leslie's house, where they invent an enchanted land called Terabithia. One morning, Leslie goes to Terabithia without Jess and a tragedy occurs. It will take the love of his family and the strength that Leslie has given him for Jess to be able to deal with his grief.

Recommended by Mr Keene

We love hearing about books you have read so let us know what book you think everyone should read!

A student who reads is a student who succeeds!

