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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, which can be found on your child's English Google Classroom page.

The English Department

Chain Gang All Stars

Science Fiction

Dystopia

Fantasy

Book of the Month

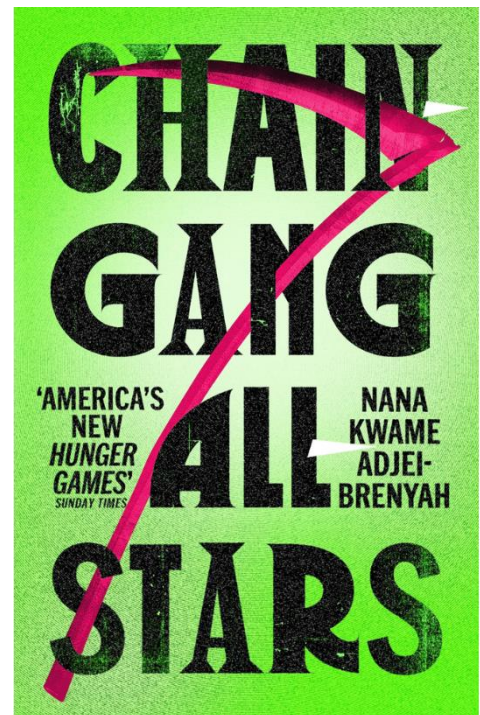
Chain Gang All Stars

Nana Kwame Adjei-Brenyah

Two top women gladiators fight for their freedom within a depraved private prison system not so far-removed from America's own.

Loretta Thurwar and Hamara "Hurricane Staxxx" Stacker are the stars of Chain-Gang All-Stars, the cornerstone of CAPE, or Criminal Action Penal Entertainment, a highly-popular, highly-controversial, profit-raising program in America's increasingly dominant private prison industry. It's the return of the gladiators and prisoners are competing for the ultimate prize: their freedom.

Recommended for KS3 by Mrs Badu



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:

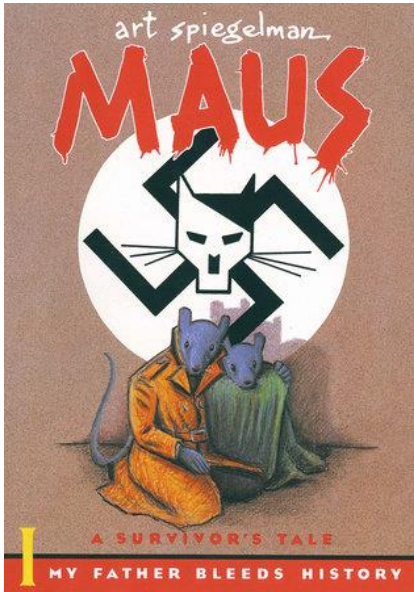
Lunchtimes: Monday, Wednesday and Friday

Library Opening Times Year 8/9/10

After School: 3:15-4:15pm



Our Recommendations



Maus I: A Survivor's Tale

Art Spiegelman

A brutally moving work of art—widely hailed as the greatest graphic novel ever written—Maus recounts the chilling experiences of the author's father during the Holocaust, with Jews drawn as wide-eyed mice and Nazis as menacing cats.

Maus is a haunting tale within a tale, weaving the author's account of his tortured relationship with his aging father into an astonishing retelling of one of history's most unspeakable tragedies. It is an unforgettable story of survival and a disarming look at the legacy of trauma.

Recommended for KS4 by Ms Posavac

Maus I: A Survivor's Tale

Graphic Novels

Memoir

Holocaust

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!