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Reading for pleasure improves: mental health, academic performance, social skills, employability and resilience.

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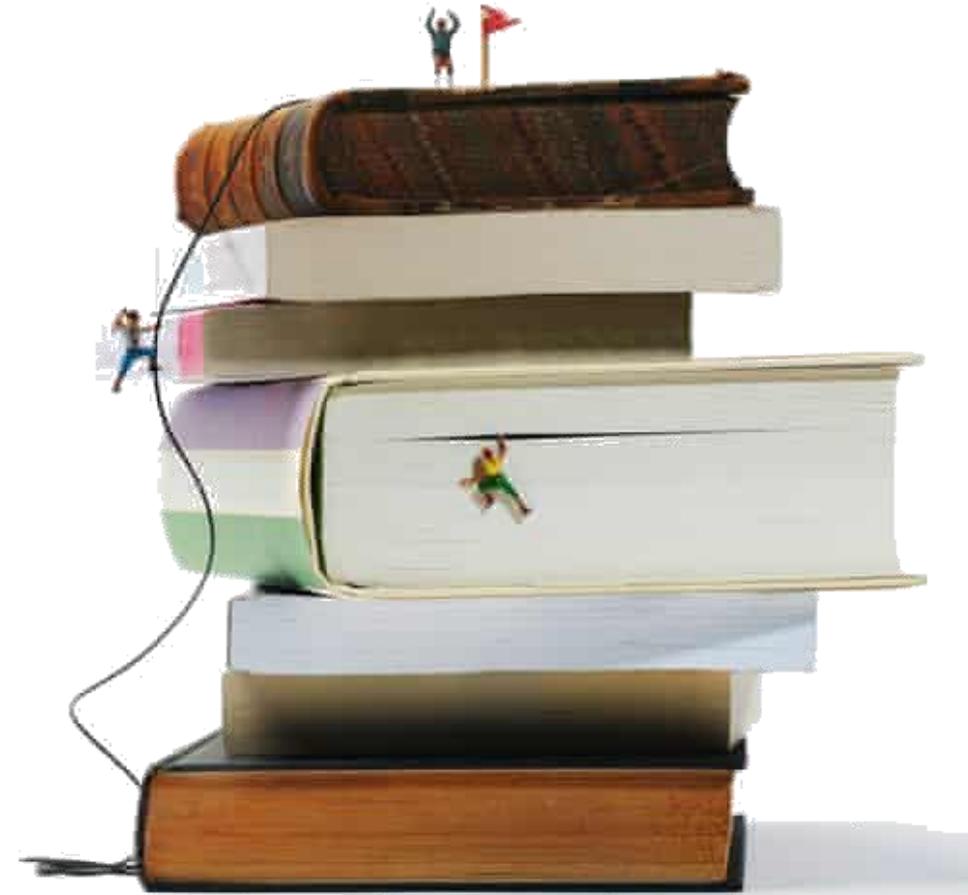
Mrs Biswas' Next Level Readers

Every Friday, 3-3.30pm

Room 307

Next Level Readers is a club for readers who want to tackle ambitious texts and take their reading skills to the next level!

We aim to explore writing that will broaden our ideas, increase our empathy and elevate our vocabulary. If you are curious, critical and ready for a challenge, join our community and get ready to take your reading to the next level.



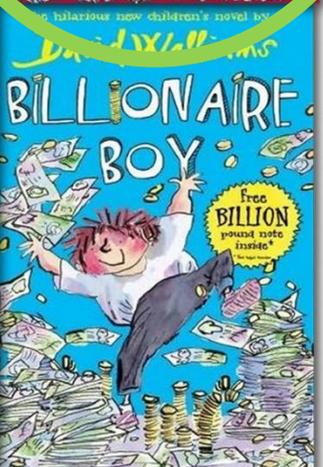
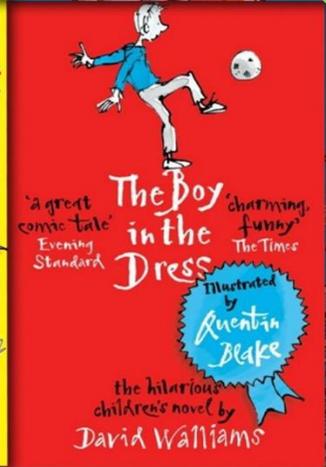
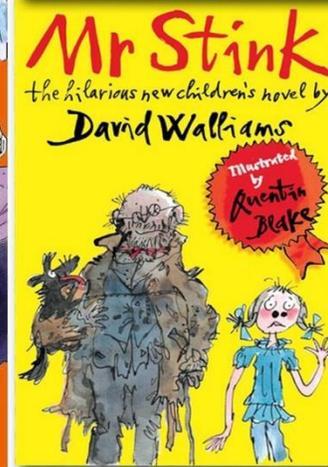
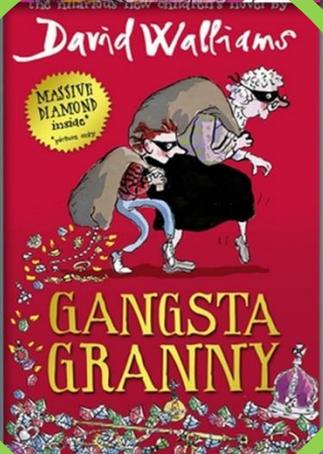
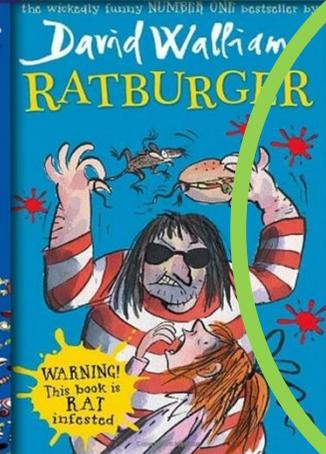
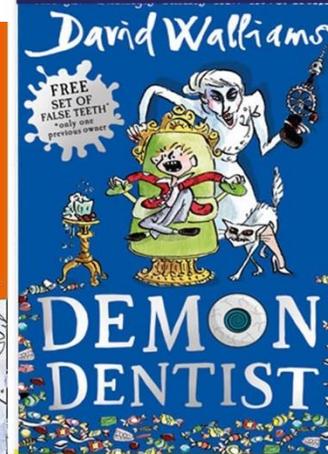
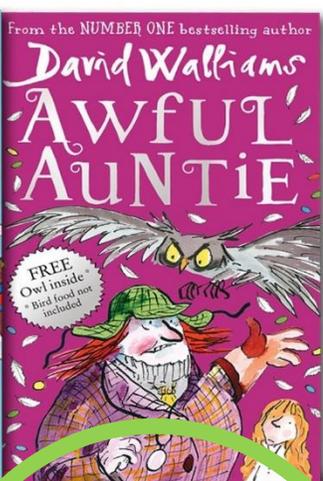
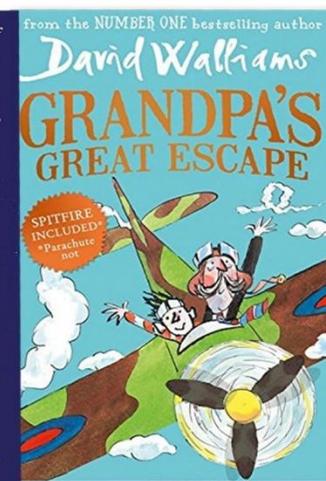
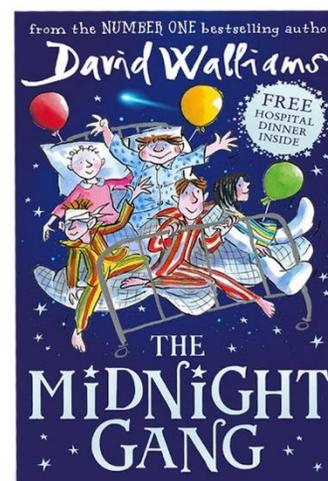
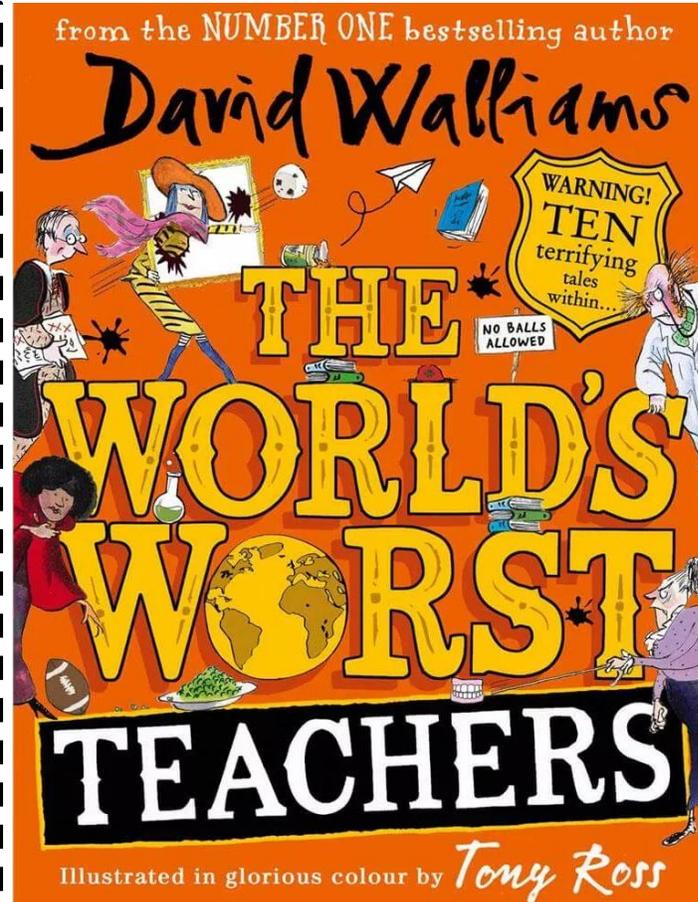
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Mrs Ashton's David Walliams book group

Every Wednesday, 3-3.30pm

Room 304

Do you like having a laugh and reading fun stories with a heart? Whether you've read these books before, or it's your first time, come along and have some giggles with Mrs Ashton and David Walliams. The first book will be **Gangsta Granny!**



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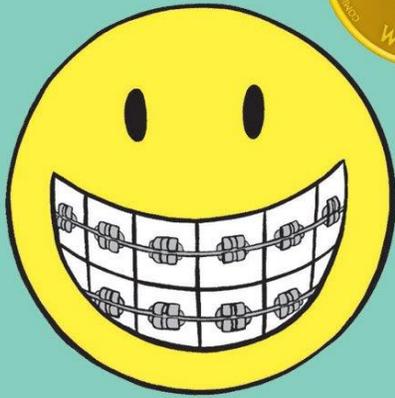
Ms Howe's Smile book group

Every Tuesday, 3-3.30pm

Room 309

From the #1 New York Times Bestselling Author

Raina Telgemeier



Smile

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Join Ms Howe for a weekly read with lots of time for chats, chocolate, and maybe even some drawing. What's not to love?

Will Eisner Comic Industry Award Winner
Boston Globe-Horn Book Honor Book
New York Times Editors' Choice



Family, Friends, Boys... Dental Drama?!
A True Story

Raina just wants to be a normal sixth grader. But one night after Girl Scouts she trips and falls, severely injuring her two front teeth. What follows is a long and frustrating journey with on-again, off-again braces, surgery, embarrassing headgear, and even a retainer with fake teeth attached. And on top of all that, there's still more to deal with: a major earthquake, boy confusion, and friends who turn out to be not so friendly. Raina's story takes us from middle school to high school, where she discovers her artistic voice, finds out what true friendship really means, and where she can finally... smile.

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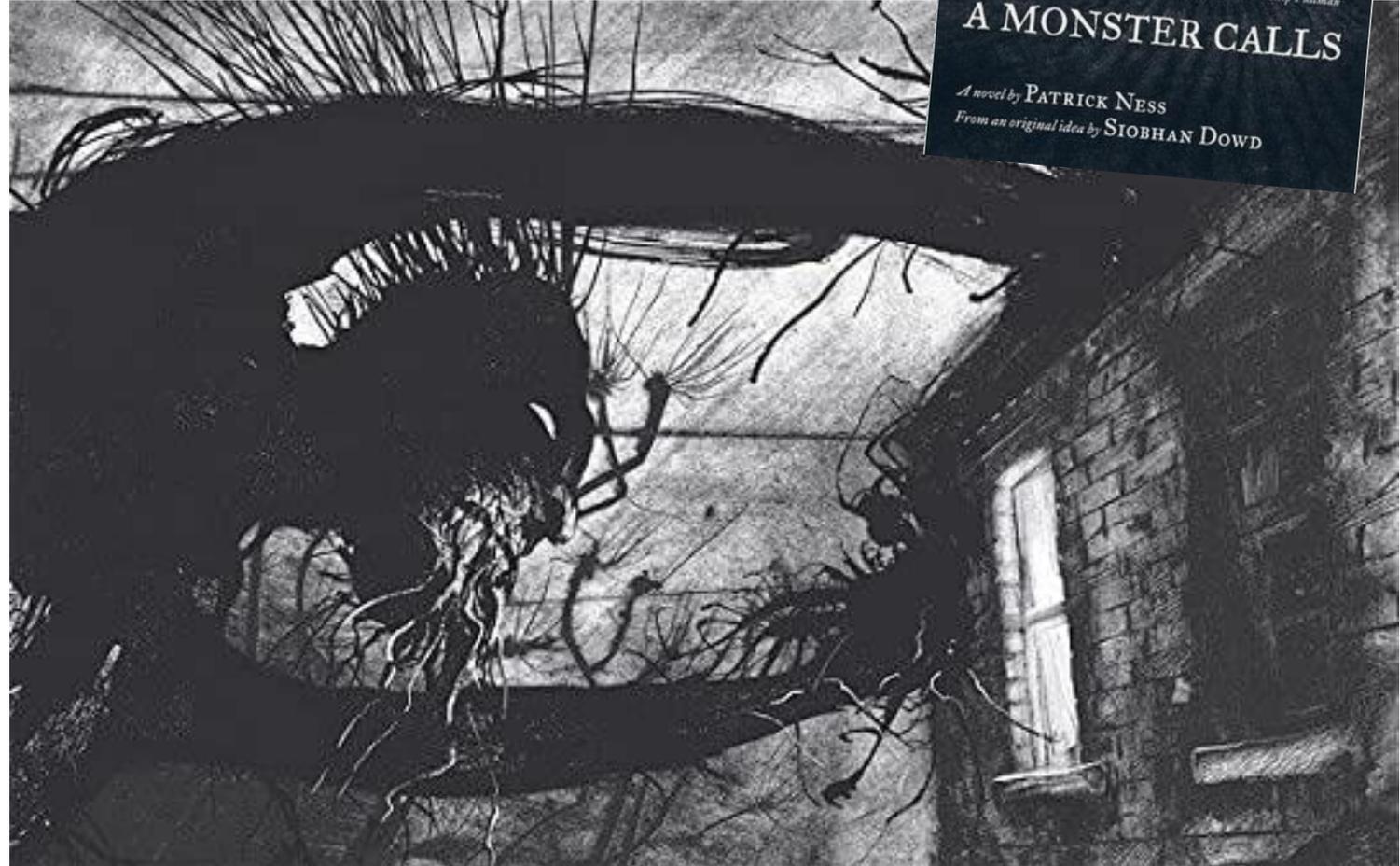
Year 8

A Monster Calls with Mr Kew

Every Monday, 3.30-4pm

Room 118

Read the graphic novel version of this modern gothic masterpiece with Mr Kew and some chocolate, every Monday, straight after period 6. If you enjoyed gothic fiction in cycle 1, you're sure to love this.

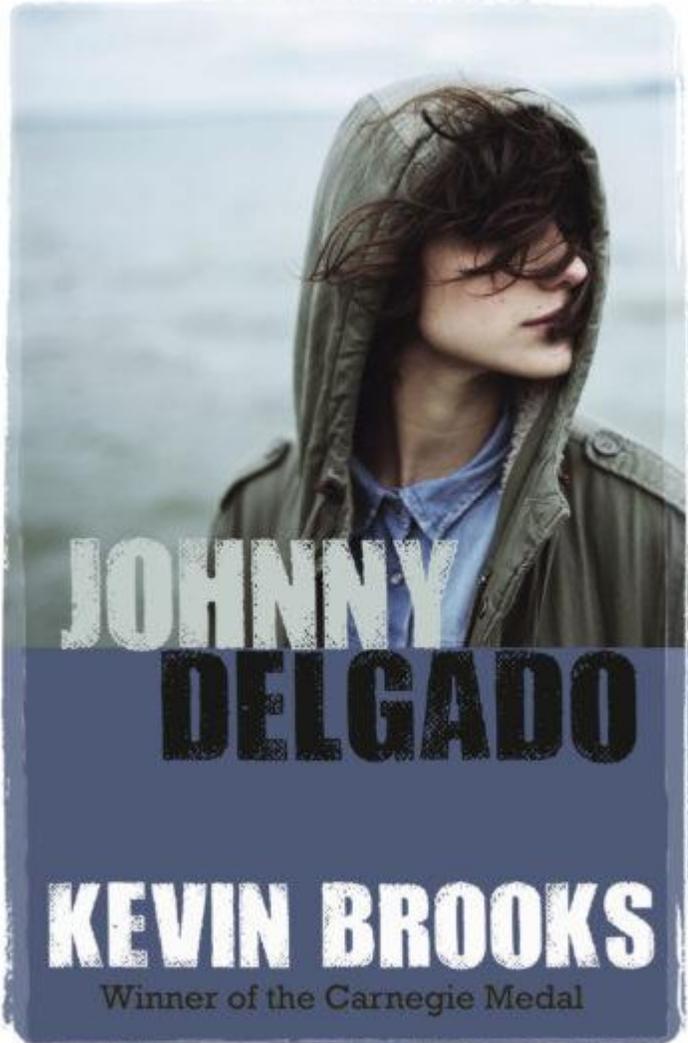


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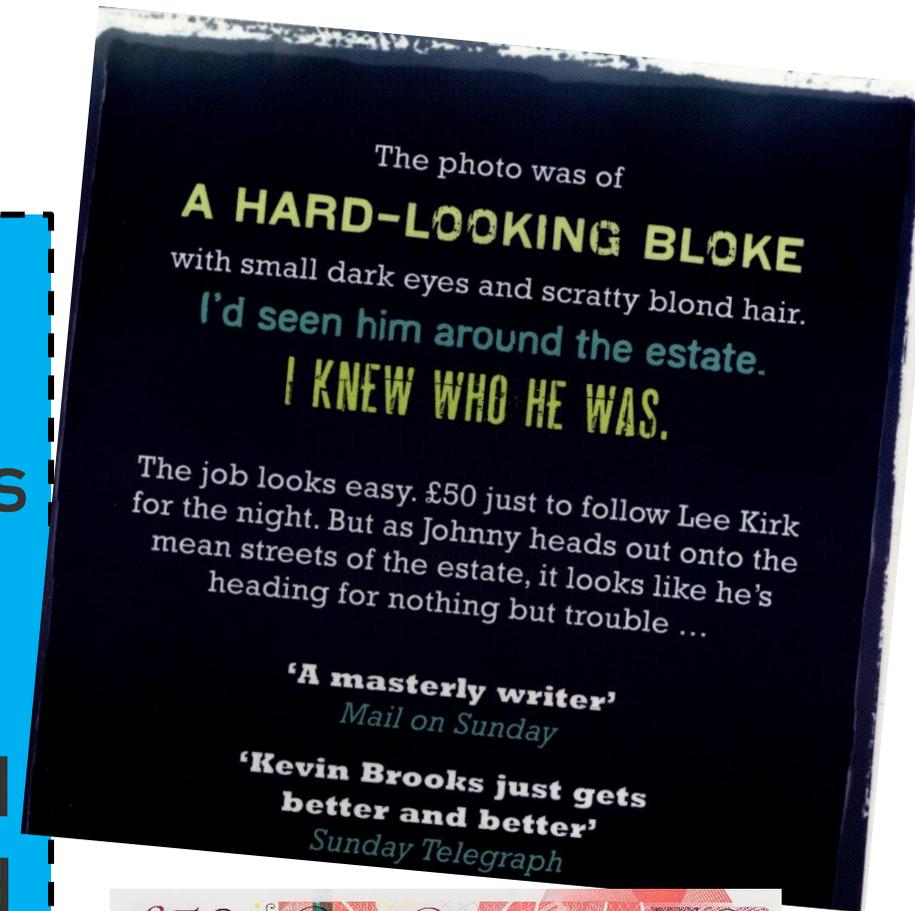
Johnny Delgado with Mrs Acharya-Woodage

Every Wednesday, 3-3.30pm

Room 118



Life on Johnny's estate is hard. When he decides to become a detective, he thinks he's got it all figured out. But things start to spin out of control when he gets tangled up with the local gangs. Read this fast-paced novel with Mrs A-Wevery Wednesday in 118.

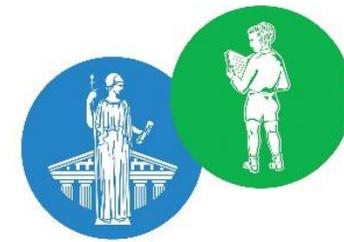


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Carnegie Book Group with Ms Hodson

Every Thursday, 3-3.30pm

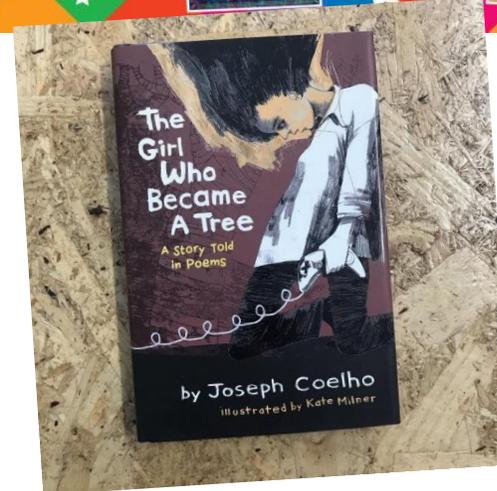
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The CILIP Carnegie & Kate Greenaway Children's Book Awards

The Carnegie Book Awards are one of the most exciting book events of the year! The shortlist is always the best reading list that you could find celebrating the most exciting reads for young people. Check some of the titles out on SORA!

Be a part of choosing the winner with Ms Hodson this year. You must be a keen reader to join this group as you will do the reading at home, and use your meeting time to discuss and share opinions and chocolate.



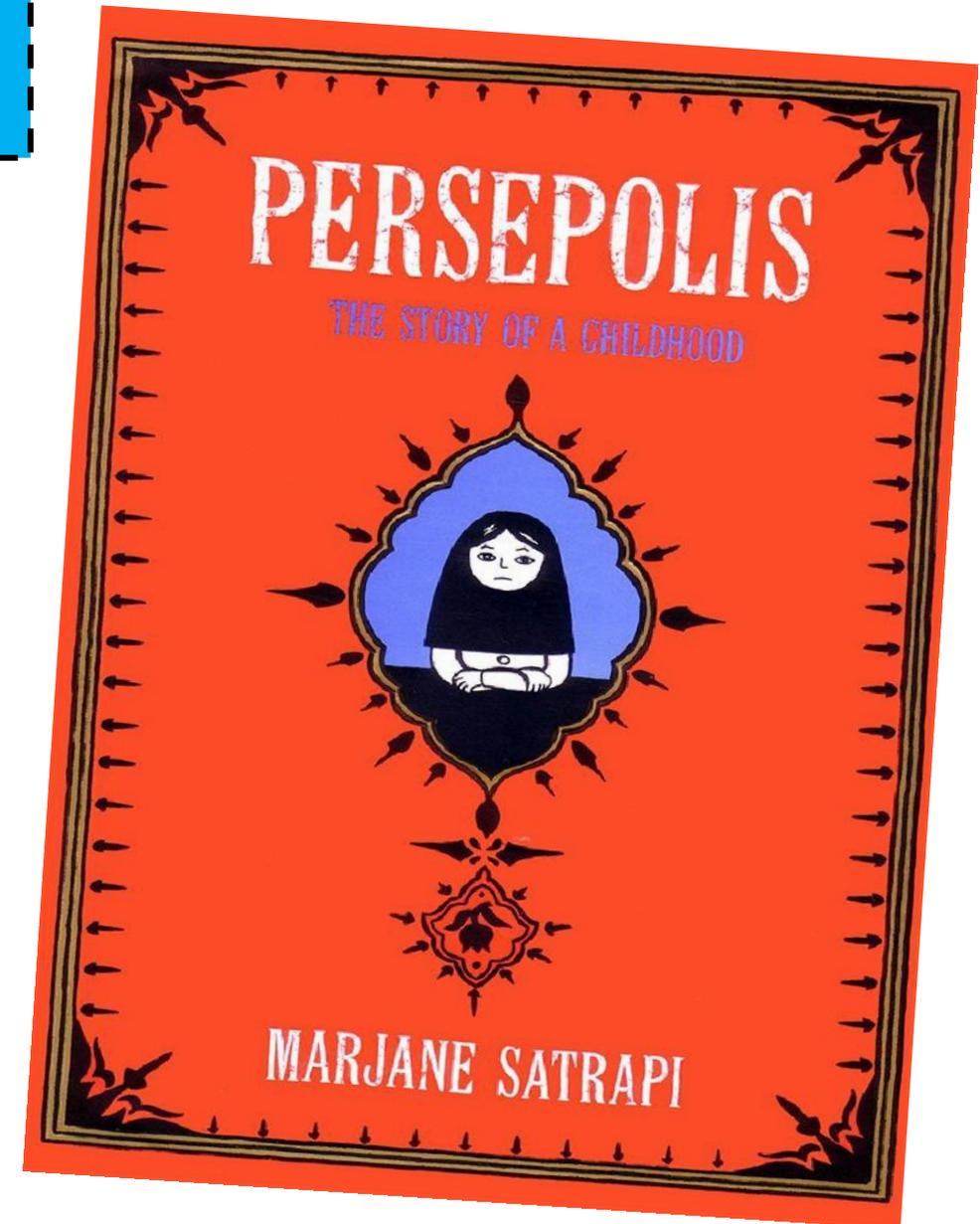
Year 8

Persepolis with Mrs Richardson

Every Wednesday, 3-4pm

Room 117

Wise, funny, and heartbreaking, *Persepolis* is Marjane Satrapi's memoir of growing up in Iran during the Islamic Revolution. In powerful black-and-white comic strip images, Satrapi tells the story of her life in Tehran from ages six to fourteen, years that saw the overthrow of the Shah's regime, the triumph of the Islamic Revolution, and the devastating effects of war with Iraq. Enjoy this groundbreaking graphic novel, and have a go at some illustration of your own, with Mrs Richardson every Wednesday!



Year 9

Only Ever Yours with Mrs Paetel

Every Wednesday, 3-3.30pm

Room 215

In a world in which baby girls are no longer born naturally, women are bred in schools, trained in the arts of pleasing men until they are ready for the outside world. At graduation, the most highly rated girls become “companions”, permitted to live with their husbands and breed sons until they are no longer useful.

For the girls left behind, the future – as a concubine or a teacher – is grim.

Delve into some feminist sci-fi (and chocolate) with Mrs Paetel every Wednesday 😊

LOUISE O'NEILL

'Utterly magnificent'

MARIAN KEYES

Only

choose a girl ...

Ever

... to own forever

Yours



Year 9

Factfulness with Ms Denton

Every Thursday, 3–3.30pm

Room 214

It turns out that the world, for all its imperfections, is in a much better state than we might think. But when we worry about everything all the time instead of embracing a worldview based on facts, we can lose our ability to focus on the things that threaten us most.

Inspiring and revelatory, filled with lively anecdotes and moving stories, *Factfulness* is an urgent and essential book that will change the way you see the world.

Enjoy this fascinating non-fiction with Ms Denton every Thursday. This is a perfect choice for anyone considering GCSE Geography!

'A hopeful book about the potential for human progress when we work off facts rather than our inherent biases.' BARACK OBAMA

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WE'RE WRONG ABOUT
THE WORLD — AND WHY
THINGS ARE BETTER
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Hans Rosling with Ola Rosling and
Anna Rosling Rönnlund

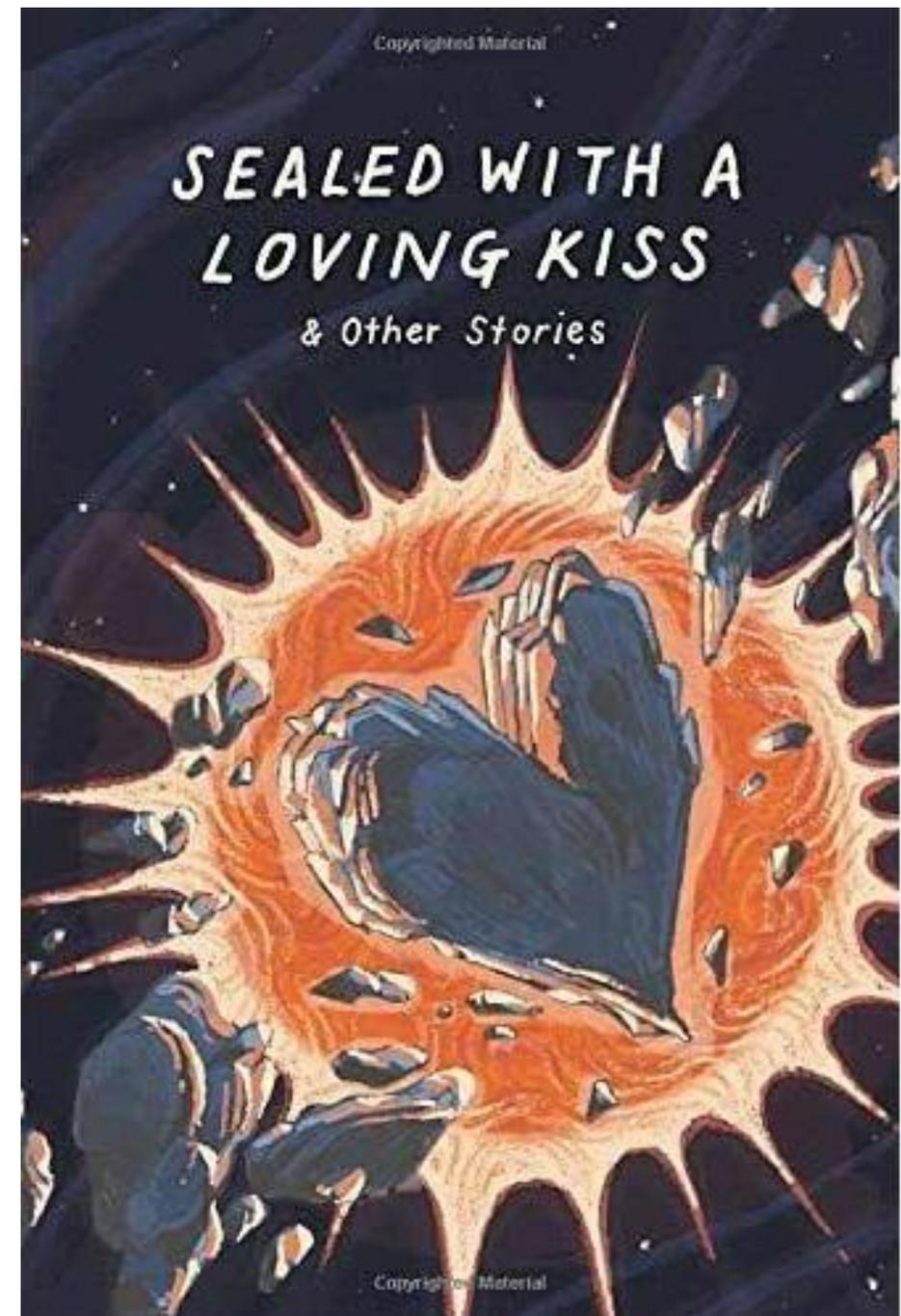
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Sealed with a Loving Kiss (a short story
anthology with Mrs Nelson)

Every Wednesday, 3-3.30pm

Room 315

This is an anthology of short stories which have been commissioned, selected and written for young people by young people from all over the world. Enjoy a weekly short story and some chocolate with Mrs Nelson, every Wednesday.

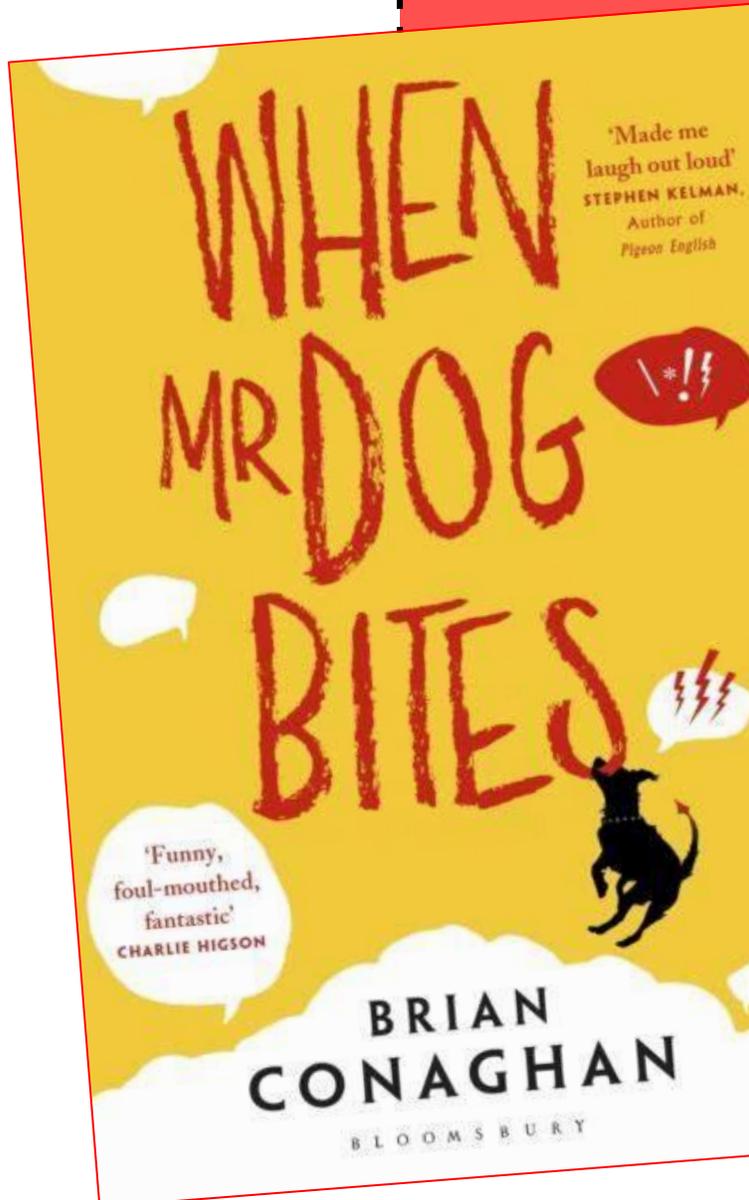


Year 10

When Mr Dog Bites with Mr Herron

Every Monday, 3.30-4pm

Room 112



When Mr. Dog Bites is a young adult story about 16-year-old Dylan who has Tourette's Syndrome. He refers to his uncontrolled outbursts, the pressure that builds up in him when he is stressed, as Mr. Dog, because they resemble a snarling, barking monster. Follow his journey with Mr Herron, every Monday. Enjoy half an hour of reading and chocolate 😊

Meet the a-mayonnaise-ing **DYLAN MINT**. He's sixteen and he's got Tourette's. His life is a constant fight to keep the bad stuff in – the words that explode out of his mouth, the tics, the growling, howling dog that tries to escape whenever he gets stressed.

GRRRR

A routine visit to the hospital turns Dylan's whole life topsy-turvy when he discovers that he's going to die next March. It's only August, but still – he has **THINGS TO DO**. So he makes a list –

Cool Things To Do Before I Cack It
– and sets out to make his wishes come true ...

'Made me laugh out loud'
STEPHEN KELMAN,
AUTHOR OF
PIGEON ENGLISH

'Funny, foul-mouthed, fantastic'
CHARLIE HIGSON

BRIAN CONAGHAN
BLOOMSBURY

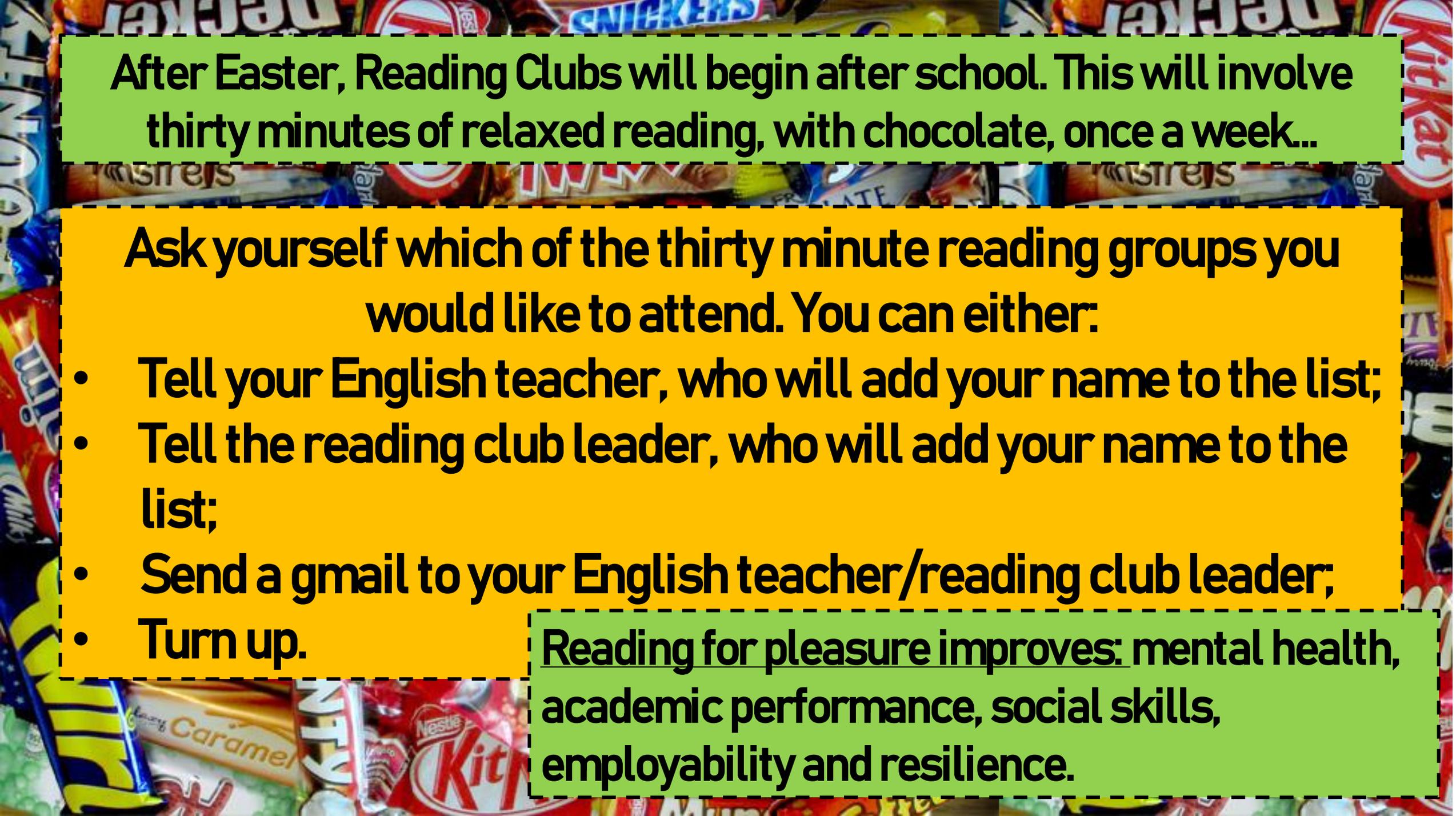
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