This book is based on a girl called Apple and her twisted family. Her mother left her when she was 2 years old and she has been living with her Nana ever since. Apple wanted to see her mum again and after 11 years she finally does. She leaps at the chance to go and live with her mum, thinking it will just be the two of them. Then here is Rain. Her sister. Life with her mum isn’t all that great after all.

It is a very well written book and I would recommend it to girls around the age of 13-15.

Jessica Thompson Y8.
These are intriguing, exciting and action packed books about Thomas and his journey through an infected world. His fellow gladers follow him through the maze and into the next phases of WICKED's plan to cure the world. I would recommend these books to anyone who enjoyed The Hunger Games.

Lucy Woolley Y8.
When Mr Dog Bites

By Brian Conahgan

When Mr Dog Bites is a fantastic book about a boy called Dylan Mint who has Tourette’s. It takes a few pages to get into the story, but once you get past the first few pages you can’t put it down. Dylan overhears his doctor and mum talking, and he thinks he is going to die in March, so he makes a bucket list called ‘cool things to do before I crack it’. It’s an amazing story about how he deals with life, and I would definitely recommend it. Brian Conaghan is an amazing author, he’s written a funny and yet sad book.

Lily Williams Y8.
This book is about a boy called Solomon and he dreams of being an Olympic Athlete. He lives in Kidame with his family. One day Solomon’s granddad decides to take him to Addis Ababa but they have to walk over a marathon to get there. When they do Solomon’s granddad uncovers a secret that he has been keeping from everyone in the family. But when he collapses it is Solomon that has to fetch his dad, Abba. But he runs all the way there.

It is a really good book that everyone will enjoy and will remember.

Jessica Thompson Y8.
Apple and Rain, written by Sarah Crossan, is an amusing and emotional book about a girl named Apple whose mum left her with her Nana when she was only 2 years old. Everything at school seems to be falling apart for her: her best and only friend Pilar went off with Donna; Donna is bullying her and Pilar ignores her. However her whole life is transformed when, out of the blue, her mum turns up for her at school. She decides to live with her mum but is met with surprise; lying in her soon to be bedroom is a girl of 10 years, a sister she never knew about.

I think this story can find itself a comfortable spot in my top favourite books because I’ve learnt a few things about real life from it that made me reflect on mine. Sarah Crossan had found the key to making a story so realistic that I feel like someone was actually telling me their life story. There were many language techniques and a wide range of vocabulary so therefore it was a quite useful story for me to read. I rate this book a dazzling 5 stars.

Shaiann Calliste Y8.