Jessie NYC
Keris Stainton

Jessie NYC is a good book for teenage girls who want to read about romance. Jessie goes to New York with her best friend to have an adventure, trying to forget about her awful ex while Finn is trying not to have a crush on his best friend’s girlfriend. They don’t realise they are a perfect couple. Come and join their journey while they try and find each other in the biggest and busiest city in the world. What I liked about this book is that they keep on bumping into each other and keep talking about what is going on in their lives. It is perfect for a quick read and you will enjoy it very much!

Reviewed by Mya Etches
Year 8
THE FAULT IN OUR STARS
By John Green

This is an amazing book. It is sad in some parts and happy in others. It will make you laugh, cry and even make you want to stop reading it. DONT STOP READING IT! It has a great ending and I loved it. I have it on my kindle and will definitely reread it.

Reviewed by Charlotte Scott
Year 9
The Hare with Amber Eyes

By Edward De Wall

Edward De Waal leads you on an amazing odyssey from Japan across Europe to Vienna in a beautifully written story. It won the 2010 Costa Biography of the year and deservedly so. He traces his ancestry using the small Netsuke collected over time by his family and how they survived the upheavals of Jewish persecution and two world wars. I found it compelling, beautiful and very poignant.

Reviewed by Mr Mayer
The Haunting of Tabitha Grey  
By Vanessa Curtis  

This is a book about a young girl called Tabitha Grey. She goes to live in a place called Weston Manor and some strange things have been happening. The smell of lavender keeps appearing out of nowhere. Who could it be?

At the end it made me sad but altogether I give it a 5 star rating. I thought it was excellent and only took me 3 days to read.

Reviewed by Chloe Barton  
Year 8
The Body Snatcher
By Robert Louis Stevenson

You probably haven’t heard of this story, but I bet you have heard of the other tale which accompanies it! “The strange case of Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde” is a well known short story, which comes in a book with other tales of terror; “Olalla” (a tale of vampirism and tainted family blood) and “The Body Snatcher”.

The story relives the life of an old drunken Scotchman, Fettes, and his job handling corpses needed for dissection in an Edinburgh school of medicine. Fettes gets drawn into unlawful dealings in order to procure more bodies for the ever eager students, including snatching them from freshly filled graves.

With murder, bribery, and a ghostly end this story is really enjoyable. Written in 1884 it is a little heavy but with only 20 pages it is well worth the effort. Read this tale of terror in the Penguin Classics collection and get a taste of vampires and devilish potions along the way.

Reviewed by Mr Lyford
Inside My Head  
By Jim Carrington  

I would recommend this book to people that like settings in a school as this is the scene throughout the book. There is a young boy called Knags and he gets bullied, one day he gets expelled for something he did not do as someone blamed it on him. He visits the park everyday and sits on a swing with his head in-between his lap, a young girl who moved to the countryside keeps asking him questions about school and what happened.

I Hope you read this book.

Reviewed by Kelly wade  
Year 9
The Wanted: Our Story, Our way

This is an official auto-biography of The Wanted. It tells you about their background, important events and all different things about their lives including when they were growing up and how they used to live. It is an interesting and happy story with lots of twists and also lots of pictures. It is fun and enjoyable to read and tells you everything you need to know. If you love The Wanted then you will love this book!

By Chelsea Day
Year 9