From September 2019, students in Y7 – Y10 will read every morning. The books have been chosen by staff from across the school and reflect our dynamic and culturally rich school.

Here's a list of the books for **Year 8**, and a little bit about each one.

Term	Book title	Book cover	What's it about?
Term 1	A Monster Calls by Patrick Ness	A MONSTER CALLS A socially Patricia Ness From an original idea by SIOBHAN DOWD	This is now a famous film – and the author has won multiple awards. Conor has the same dream every night, ever since his mother first fell ill, ever since she started the treatments that don't quite seem to be working. But tonight is different. Tonight, when he wakes, there's a visitor at his window. It's ancient, elemental, a force of nature.
Term 2	The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night by Mark Haddon	WINNER OF THE WHITEREAD BOOK OF THE YEAR THE CURIOUS INCIDENT. of THE DOO in The NIGHT-TIME OUTSTANDINGa stunningly good read' MEDILIDERY E	The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time follows the story of Christopher Boone, a 15 year old, who is exceptional at Maths but finds people confusing. The play opens with Christopher discovering a dead dog in his neighbour, Mrs Shears', garden. Despite his father, Ed, warning Christopher not to get involved, Christopher decides to investigate the death of the dog.
Term 3	Anne Frank's Diary	THE DYARY OF A YOUNG GIRL	Anne Frank was a young Jewish girl living in Amsterdam during the Holocaust. She receives a diary for her birthday; she hopes it will be a 'great source of comfort and support.' Anne's diary begins at a crucial point in her life, and in the diary Anne depicts her life in hiding from the Nazis.
Additional reader	Blood Brothers Willy Russell	WILLY FUSSELL BLOOD Brothers	Blood Brothers is a musical which debuted on London's West End in 1983. The musical focuses on separated twin brothers, who lead VERY different lives—one opulently and the other in poverty. There is a tragic love triangle between them with disastrous consequences. The musical developed a cult following due to its relatable characters.