

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 9**, and a little bit about each one.

| Term              | Book title                                   | Book cover  | What's it about?   |
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| Term 1            | <b>Moonrise by Sarah Crossan</b>             |    | Joe is seventeen and he hasn't seen his brother for ten years. And the reason for that is brutal - Ed is on Death Row in Texas, convicted of the murder of a police officer. Ed says he's innocent. Aunt Karen doesn't believe him. And Mum is long gone, no-one knows where. When the execution date comes through, Joe passes up on his job and a spot on a summer athletics scholarship and treks from New York across the country so that Ed is not alone. He is determined to spend these last weeks with his brother no matter what anybody else thinks. |
| Term 2            | <b>The Book Thief by Markus Zusak</b>        |   | The Book Thief is about a young girl, Liesel, growing up in Germany amidst World War II. Liesel is living with foster parents, Hans and Rosa. Throughout the story, Liesel steals many books. At first, she doesn't even know how to read, but she knows that the book is important. Hans notices and teaches her how to make sense of the letters.  |
| Term 3            | <b>Jurassic Park by Michael Crichton</b>     |  | Jurassic Park is a 1990 science fiction novel written by Michael Crichton. The novel tells the story of a billionaire's disastrous attempt to create a theme park inhabited by genetically recreated dinosaurs.. In 1995, Crichton published a sequel to the novel entitled The Lost World.  |
| Additional reader | <b>Chinese Cinderella by Adeline Yen Mah</b> |  | The subtitle to this book is 'The Secret Story of an Unwanted Daughter', which gives us an insight into the difficult – and tragic – childhood that Adeline Yen Mah had, following her mother's death in childbirth. This is autobiography continues to be a best-seller, and is loved by teenagers across the country.  |