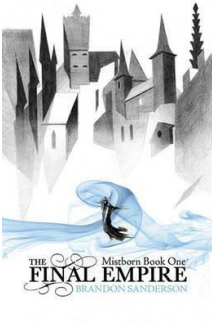
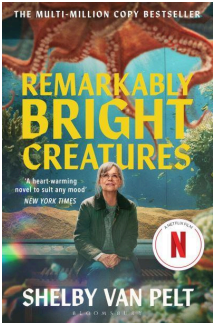
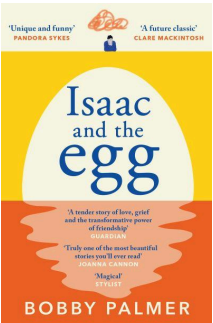
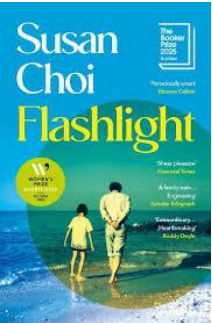
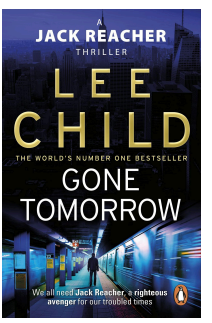
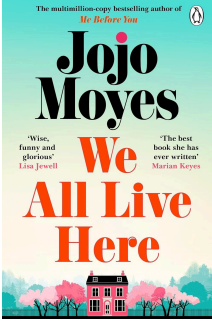
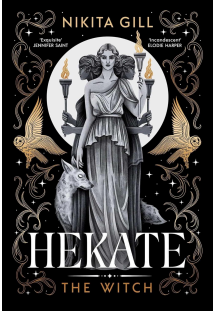
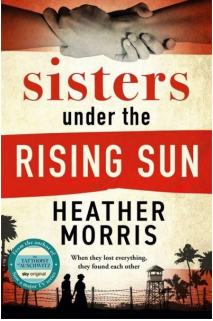
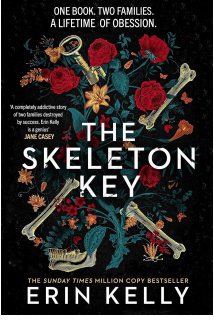
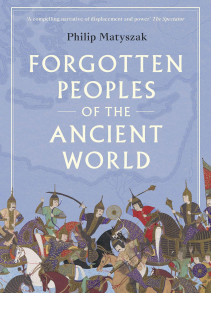
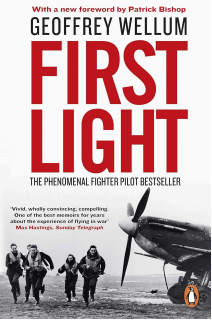
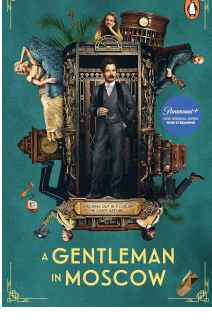
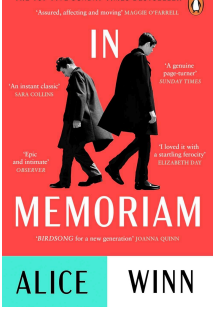
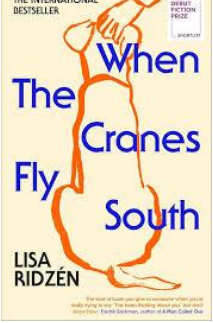
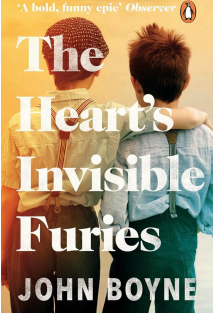
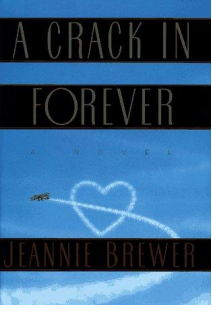
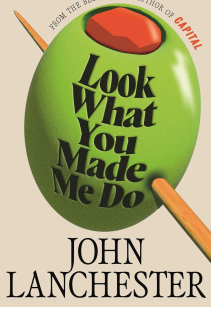


Book recommendations

Books we enjoyed this year.

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Emily Taylor	Nicky Duchesne	Gavin Stepney	Sara Richardson	Deb White	Allie Rinck
					
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Rebecca Jones	Ellie Brown	Rob McGough	Clare Hodgson	Fran Fry	Rebecca Jones
Jo Colby	Claude King	Fran Fry	Jacquie Marshall	Deborah Lampard	Natalie Codling
Lucy Hunter	Natalie Codling	Deb White	Natalie Woodhouse	Lucy Hunter	Joanna Farrington

Books we are looking forward to reading over the summer holiday

Emily Taylor	Nicky Duchesne	Gavin Stepney	Sara Richardson	Deb White	Allie Rinck
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Coming up in the library

Do join our [Book Group on Friday lunchtime](#).

We want to have a time in our weeks where we can share book recommendations and chat about our love of reading. Fiction or non-fiction, we don't mind! Bring a drink and come and have a chat.

13:15 - 13:50 every Week B Friday.

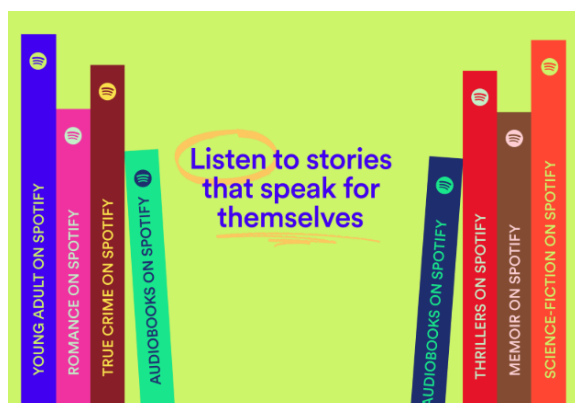
Please email sixthlibrary@bohunt.hants.sch.uk if you would like to join.

Reading for Pleasure

2026 is still the National Year of Reading, a time to 'go all in' and immerse yourself in the wonders of literature. Discover some superb books and authors and celebrate the glory of the written word this year.

Storytelling is as old as time and, whether it's an award-winning epic novel or a page-turning blockbuster, a great book can stay with you throughout your life.

Though we have over 2000 resources in our 6th Form Library, it's not always easy to pick up a book and start reading, especially not just for fun. Reading for pleasure and without the pressure of deadlines is so important though, so we want to highlight some digital resources, both free and paid, that could help you find the time to dive into a book.



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Enhance Your Studies

There are many academic competitions with deadlines during the summer holidays and into the Autumn term. You can view which ones [here](#). These are the top competitions that we recommend looking into to keep your brain muscles flexing! Also, to show how good you are, for your UCAS personal statement and CV!



[Trinity College, Cambridge](#) runs several competitions all with a deadline of the **12 noon on Friday 31 July 2026**. Subject matter ranges from English Literature, Modern Foreign Languages, Politics and History (for Year 12.)



[The Royal Geographical Society](#) are hosting two competitions: The [Young Geographer of the Year](#) competition asks you to create a poster on 'From Source to Sea' (**deadline 2nd October**) and the [School Essay Competition](#) asks for a 1000 word essay on patterns of migration and the consequences (**deadline 9th November**).

Fancy a trip?



- The annual summer [Petersfield Shakespeare Festival](#) delights in bringing entertaining and accessible Shakespeare to the enchanting open-air setting of Wyld's Farm. See plays, bring picnics. The PSF have offered: **10% discount** on Macbeth tickets. Discount code BOHUNT10 for students, parents and staff.
- [Foraging walks](#) "Learn about the edible world that surrounds you, unlock the magic of mycelium and find out about how incredible foraging is, and notice more in your environment than ever before. Set in the stunning South Downs National Park" near Liphook, GU30.
- The [Alton Arts](#) festival 3rd-12th July
- Free [Summer School Creative Workshops](#) 2026. Every Saturday from 11th July to 8th August. "Craft workshops: perfect for kick starting your new artistic hobby. Choose from a variety of crafts including printmaking, embroidery, jewellery making, lampshade making, straw work, bolster cushion making, bookbinding and flower wreath making".
- [Victorious Festival](#) (Aug 28-30): Southsea Seafront hosts this major music festival, featuring world-class artists, comedy, and family entertainment.
- Free [Hogmoor Inclosure Military Heritage](#) day (Sun, 16 Aug) at Hogmoor Inclosure, Liphook. Join us for the day to learn about its history but to also meet re-enactors, living historians, military vehicle owners, with their vehicles. It's a fun day out for all the family with refreshments available from the cafe and refreshments trailer. The event is open to the public with free admission from 10.00 to 4.00.
- The [Edinburgh Fringe Festival](#): "one of the greatest celebrations of arts and culture on the planet."

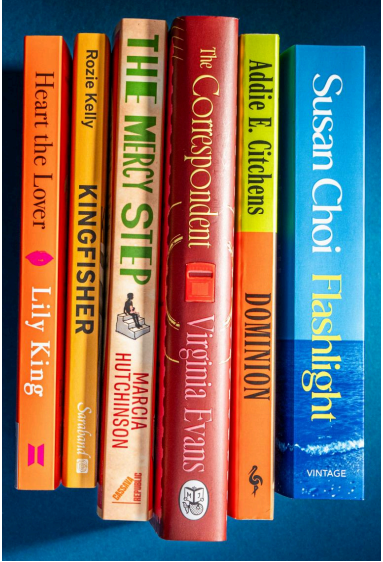
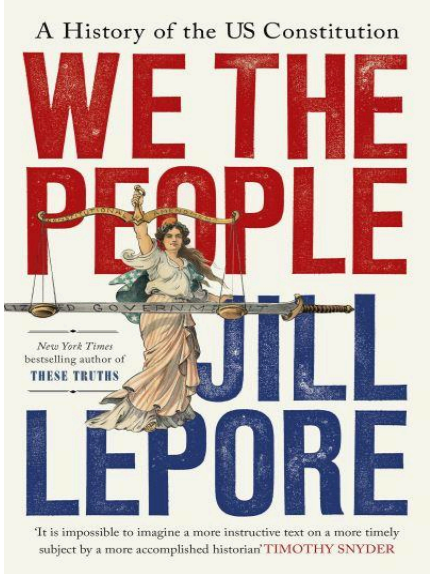


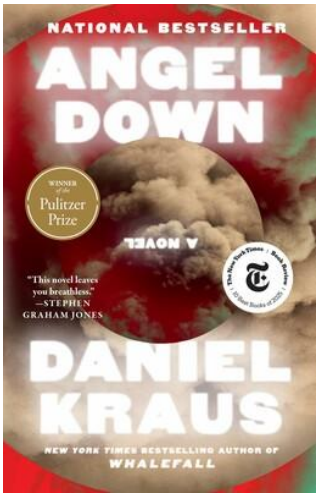
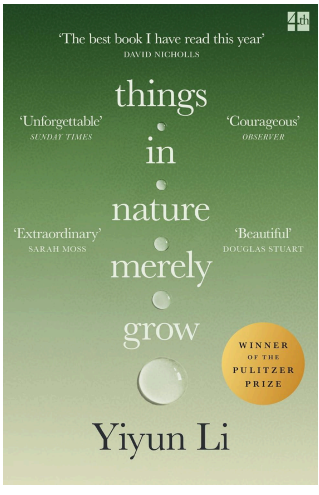
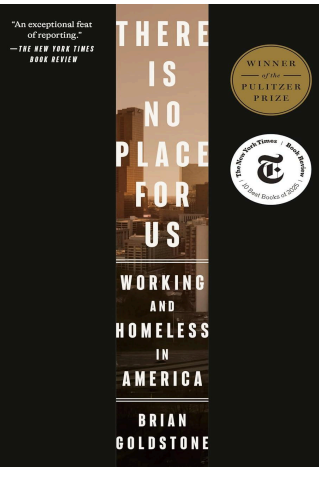
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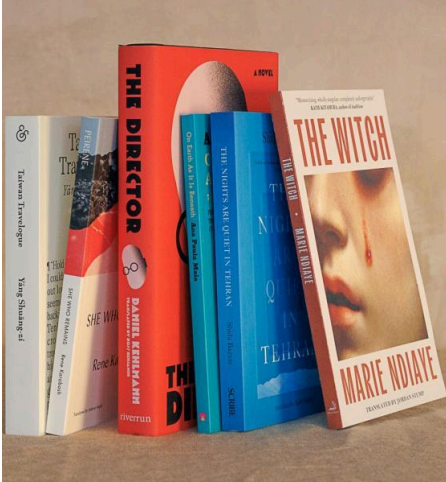
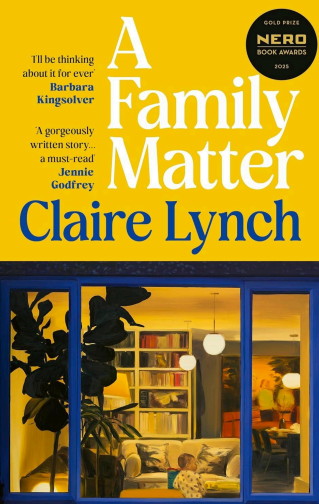
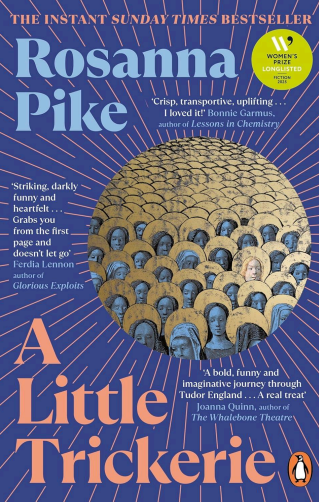
Sometimes it is so hard to maintain momentum when we are researching for our EPQs or doing preparatory reading ahead of next academic year. Some students find **The Pomodoro Technique** really helps to keep them on track.

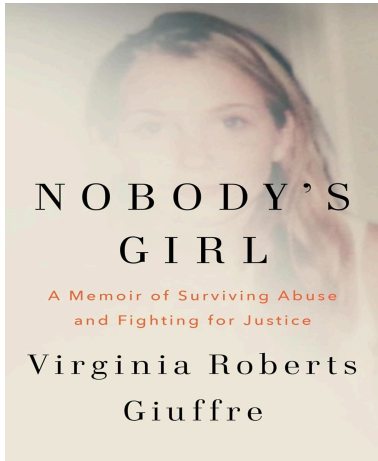
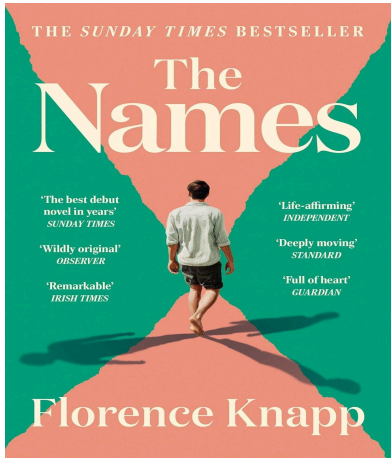


Books in the news

^Women's Prize for Fiction	^Pulitzer Prize in History	^PEN/Faulkner Award for Fiction
		
While this year's shortlist spans an incredible breadth of themes, geographies, time periods, and literary styles, the novels interrogate the wealth of roles women play in society, the power they hold, and the extent to which they wield it. Other shared themes include individual agency within societal and relationship constructs, human connection centring very different but unforgettable protagonists	A lively and engaging narrative that investigates why the Constitution is so difficult to amend, including a review of noteworthy failed amendments proposed by marginalized groups. Tellingly, the Constitution has not been meaningfully amended since 1971. Without amendment, the risk of political violence rises. So does the risk of constitutional change by presidential power.	An astonishing debut examining women's lives in Pakistan and interrogating the burdens, and freedom, of love. With sharp and striking prose, <i>Small Scale Sinners</i> performs the magical feat of encompassing every aspect of humanity in a slim volume of stories, which reveals the hearty landscape of desire, rage, love, and loss contained in nearly every life

^Pulitzer Prize for Fiction	^Pulitzer Prize for a Memoir or Autobiography	^Pulitzer Prize for General Nonfiction
		
A breathless novel of World War I, a stylistic tour-de-force that blends such genres as allegory, magical realism and science fiction into a cohesive whole, told in a single sentence.	A writer's deeply moving account of losing her younger son to suicide about six years after her older son died in the same manner, an austere and defiant memoir of acceptance that focuses on facts, language and the persistence of life.	A feat of reportage, analysis and storytelling focusing on the issues that have created a national crisis of family homelessness among the so-called working poor.

^International Booker Prize 2026	^Nero Gold Prize Book of the Year 2026	^The Bollinger Everyman Wodehouse Prize 2026
		
The shortlist features: stories of a suburban witch, a morally compromised filmmaker, a bloodthirsty prison warden, a sworn virgin with a new identity, a young novelist and an interpreter with a shared passion for food, and a multigenerational family of Iranian emigrants.	A mother following her heart, a father with the law on his side, a child caught in the middle – an unputdownable debut about a family torn apart by secrets, prejudice and their own best intentions.	Born a vagabond, Tibb Ingleby has never had a roof of her own. Tibb and her new friends conjure an audacious plan: her greatest trickerie yet. But before they know it, their hoax takes on a life of its own, drawing crowds - and vengeful enemies - to their door.

^The British Book Awards Overall Book of the Year 2026	^The British Book Awards Book of the Year - Début	^The British Book Awards A.K.A "the Nibbies"
		
The world knows Virginia Roberts Giuffre as Jeffrey Epstein and Ghislaine Maxwell's most outspoken victim; the woman whose decision to speak out helped send both serial abusers to prison, whose photograph with Prince Andrew catalyzed his fall from grace. This is her story.	It is 1987, and in the wake of a great storm, Cora sets out with her young daughter to register the birth of her son. Her husband expects her to follow tradition and call the baby after him - but is it right for her child to inherit his name from generations of domineering men? Her choice will shape the course of their lives.	Fiction; Romantic Fiction; Crime and Thriller; Graphic Novels; Science Fiction & Fantasy; Children's Fiction and Non-Fiction; Audiobooks Fiction and Non-Fiction. Peruse your favourite categories!

Poetry corner

Travel

by Edna St Vincent Millay

The railroad track is miles away,
And the day is loud with voices speaking,
Yet there isn't a train goes by all day
But I hear its whistle shrieking.

All night there isn't a train goes by,
Though the night is still for sleep and dreaming,
But I see its cinders red on the sky,
And hear its engine steaming.

My heart is warm with the friends I make,
And better friends I'll not be knowing;
Yet there isn't a train I wouldn't take,
No matter where it's going.