

# READING

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## NEWSLETTER



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At Samuel Whitbread Academy, we prioritise reading to ensure every student can read confidently for pleasure and progress.

Welcome to our monthly newsletter. We hope this will help you support your child with their reading at home.

### Why is reading important?

Did you know a child that reads for 20 minutes a day will read around 1.8 million words in a year? The more our students read, the more vocabulary they absorb and the easier they will find it to articulate themselves, both now and in the future.

Every month we will share reading recommendations, news from our library and top tips for how you can support your child's reading at home.



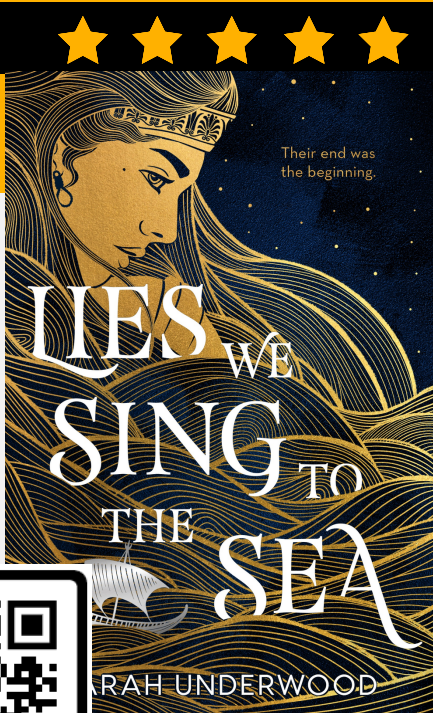
**KS3**

To listen to Angharad Walker introduce The Ash House, [click here or...](#)



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**KS4**



To hear Sarah Underwood share Lies we Sing to the Sea [click here or...](#)



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### TOP TIPS

Reading aloud has the power to...

Build empathy.

Create a lifelong love of reading.

Improve language and listening skills.

Facilitate important and/or difficult conversations.

Activate and empower imagination.



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## RECOMMENDATIONS



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KS5



MISS HODGSON

### ***Book of Night:***

In Charlie Hall's world, shadows can be altered, for entertainment and cosmetic preferences—but also to increase power and influence.

You can alter someone's feelings—and memories—but manipulating shadows has a cost, with the potential to take hours or days from your life.



MISS PRIANO

### ***The Psychopath Test:***

A fascinating journey through the minds of madness. Jon Ronson's exploration of a potential hoax being played on the world's top neurologists takes him, unexpectedly, into the heart of the madness industry. An influential psychologist who is convinced that many important CEOs and politicians are, in fact, psychopaths...



MR JAMIL

### ***A Cold Killing:***

Crime reporter Rosie Gilmour returns from hiding in Bosnia to a story of a brutal execution. University lecturer Tom Mahoney was shot at point blank range, the killing has all the signs of a hit. But who would want to kill a retired lecturer?

