

# KING JAMES'S SCHOOL LIBRARY

## YEAR 12/13 RECOMMENDED READING LIST

<b>Small Island</b>	Andrea Levy	A story about prejudice; Britain's and American GI's racism towards the "invading darkies".
<b>The Book Thief</b>	Markus Zusak	A young German girl who steals books, her family and the Jewish boxer hidden in their basement in Nazi Germany as the bombs begin to fall.
<b>Brick Lane</b>	Monica Ali	Set in Tower Hamlets, the story of a young Asian immigrant dealing with love, cultural differences and the human spirit.
<b>The Handmaid's Tale</b>	Margaret Atwood	The Republic of Gilead offers Offred only one function: to breed!
<b>The Wasp Factory</b>	Iain Banks	A Gothic Horror story of exceptional quality ...macabre, bizarre and impossible to put down.
<b>To Kill a Mockingbird</b>	Harper Lee	50 years on and still as powerful. An anti-racist novel, a historical drama of the Great Depression and a one man's struggle for justice.
<b>Atonement</b>	Ian McEwan	Encompassing comedy as well as atrocity. A strange, unique and gripping novel.
<b>Lollipop Shoes</b>	Joanne Harris	The fairy tale for grown-ups is iced with sugar and spice, but its centre is dark and mysterious.
<b>Hitler's Canary</b>	Sandi Toksvig	A daring tale of wartime adventure inspired by the experiences of the author's father during the Second World War.
<b>The Life Of Pi</b>	Yann Martel	After the tragic sinking of a cargo ship, one lifeboat remains bobbing on the wild, blue Pacific. The crew consists of a hyena, a zebra, an orang-utan, a Royal Bengal tiger and

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		Pi, a 16 year old Indian boy.
<b>The Resurrectionist</b>	James Bradley	A classically claustrophobic Gothic chiller.
<b>Disgrace</b>	JM Coetzee	Middle-aged University teacher has affair with student which turns sour.
<b>The Time Traveller's Wife</b>	Audrey Niffenegger	The story of Clare and Henry who met when Clare was 6 and Henry 36, and married when Clare was 22 and Henry was 30!!! Confused? Read on.
<b>The Shadow of the Wind</b>	Carlos Ruiz Zafon	A library, forgotten titles, a 10 year old boy. Barcelona in 1945.
<b>The Red Tent</b>	Anita Diamant	Tale of ancient womanhood set in Biblical times. Told in Dinah's voice, it opens with the story of her mothers- the four wives of Jacob. Love, betrayal and infamy.
<b>Going Dutch</b>	Katie Fforde	A fairytale- like, gentle, witty read.
<b>The Outsiders</b>	SE Hinton	American life in the sixties; Greasers and Rockers. Hatred and violence, Loyalty and friendship.
<b>The Alchemist</b>	Paul Coelho	The story of Santiago, an Andalucian shepherd boy who dreams of distant treasure in the Pyramids. And so he's off, leaving Spain to literally follow his dream.
<b>Voice of the Gods</b>	Trudi Canavan	In her new role as protector of the Siyee, Auraya investigates sightings of a landwalker stranger in their land.

### **GRAPHIC NOVELS**

Watchman - stunning artwork, fantastic story.

V for Vendetta - a landmark in comic-book writing.

League of Extraordinary Gentleman – classic heroes and villains.

By Alan Moore