



This week, seven community members completed a comprehensive Reading Friends training course to become Reading Mentors. This will help us drive our reading programme at Shelley College and promote the wonders of reading in a safe and nurturing environment.

Next week, a group of Year 10 and Year 12 students will be completing their Reading Friends training to continue the excellent work that our student Reading Mentors have been doing during registrations. The school Library is buzzing with readers every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday which has been wonderful to see.

As part of National Story Telling week, Dr Johnson (Head of English) delivered assemblies to launch the Shelley College Reading Challenge. Students are being encouraged to read as many books from the year group lists below as they can and write a review of them using the teams link they have been sent. Many of these titles can also be read for free as an e-book if you sign up for a free Kirklees Library Membership <https://kirklees.overdrive.com>.

#### **Year 9**

- The Book Thief – Markus Zusak
- His Dark Materials – Philip Pullman
- Divergent – Veronica Roth
- Treasure Island – Robert Louis Stevenson
- Miss Peregrine’s Home for Peculiar Children – Ransom Riggs
- Noughts and Crosses – Malorie Blackman
- Good Omens – Terry Pratchett and Neil Gaiman
- Maus – Art Spiegelman (Graphic Novel)
- A Monster Calls – Patrick Ness
- The Lovely Bones – Alice Sebold
- The Alchemist - Paul Coelho

#### **KS4 (Year 10 and 11)**

- The Hitchhiker’s Guide to the Galaxy – Douglas Adams
- Jane Eyre – Charlotte Bronte
- Wide Sargasso Sea – Jean Rhys
- One Of Us Is Lying – Karen M McManus
- A Short History of Nearly Everything – Bill Bryson
- The Colour of Magic – Terry Pratchett
- 1984 – George Orwell
- Purple Hibiscus - Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie
- Homegoing – Yaa Gyasi
- The Nickel Boys – Colson Whitehead
- Felix Ever After - Kacen Callender
- The Autobiography of Malcolm X – Malcolm X
- The Metamorphosis – Franz Kafka
- Slaughterhouse-Five – Kurt Vonnegut
- American Gods – Neil Gaiman

### **KS5 (Year 12 and 13)**

- Wuthering Heights – Emily Bronte
- Lord of the Rings – JRR Tolkien
- The Game of Kings – Dorothy Dunnett
- To Kill A Mockingbird – Harper Lee
- Never Let Me Go – Kazuo Ishiguro
- Perfume: The Story of a Murder – Patrick Suskind
- Black Leopard, Red Wolf – Marlon James
- A Brief History of Seven Killings – Marlon James
- Hamnet – Maggie O’Farrell
- The Wind-Up Bird Chronicle – Haruki Murakami
- Watchmen – Alan Moore (Graphic Novel)
- The Underground Railroad – Colson Whitehead
- The Picture of Dorian Gray – Oscar Wilde
- Say Nothing: A True Story of Murder and Memory in Northern Ireland – Patrick Radden Keefe
- The Great Gatsby – F. Scott Fitzgerald