

## Reading Suggestions for Year 10 and 11 Boys in BWS Library

### **Dan Brown**                      **The Da Vinci Code**

A series of baffling codes are found near the body of the murdered curator of the Louvre. Professor Robert Langdon and cryptologist Sophie Neveu race to solve the bizarre clues which seem to lead to the work of Leonardo da Vinci.

### **Andrew Butcher**                      **The Time of the Reaper**

They call it the Sickness. Nobody knows what causes it or where it comes from. Nobody knows why it only seems to affect the adult population but everyone knows that if you catch it and you're over 18, you die. Those left are thrown together but a world without rules is not the utopia many thought it would be.

### **Trudi Canavan**                      **The Magician's Guild**

An unknown, untrained magician is loose on the streets of Imadin and the Masters of Magic must find her before the powers she doesn't understand can cause havoc. The first part of a fast-moving magical fantasy.

### **Orson Scott Card**                      **Ender's Game**

The human race faces annihilation. An alien threat is on the horizon, ready to strike. The brilliant young Ender Wiggin, the latest recruit at Battle School could be a great leader but first he must survive the rigours of a brutal military training program. A tale of war, strategy and survival.

### **Suzanne Collins**                      **The Hunger Games**

Sixteen-year-old Katniss regards it as a death sentence when she is forced to represent her district in the annual Hunger Games, a fight to the death on live TV. But Katniss has been close to death before - and survival, for her is second nature. The Salisbury Schools' Book Award winner 2010.

### **Arthur Conan Doyle**                      **The Lost World**

Headed by the larger than life figure of Professor Challenger, a scientific expedition sets out to explore a plateau in South America that remains frozen in time from the days when dinosaurs roamed the Earth. Seemingly impossible to penetrate, this lost world holds great danger for the four men, whether from fiendish ape-men or terrifying prehistoric creatures. Arthur Conan Doyle's classic tale of adventure and discovery.

### **David Eagleman**                      **Sum : Tales from the Afterlives**

In this startling book, David Eagleman shows us forty possibilities of life beyond death. With wit and humanity, he asks the key questions about existence, hope, technology and love. These stories are full of big ideas and bold imagination.

### **David Eddings**                      **Pawn of Prophecy**

The first title in a magnificent fantasy epic, 'The Belgariad'. A saga of good and evil, magic and mysticism set against a history of seven thousand years of struggles between Gods, Kings and men.

### **David Gilman**                      **The Devil's Breath**

Max Gordon discovers that his explorer father has gone missing and is determined to find him whatever dangers may lie in his path. The 'Devil's Breath' is the first book in a new adventure series in a world of stampeding buffalo, lethal scorpions and ancient tribes.

### **Michael Grant**                      **Gone**

In the blink of an eye the world changes as all the adults vanish. Those left must do all they can to survive but everyone's idea of survival is different. Some look after themselves, some look after others and some will do anything for power...

### **Robert Harris**                      **Fatherland**

April 1964. The naked body of an old man floats in a lake on the outskirts of Berlin. In one week it will be Adolf Hitler's 75<sup>th</sup> birthday. A terrible conspiracy is starting to unravel...

### **Joseph Heller**                      **Catch-22**

This bestselling novel, first published in 1961, is a satirical indictment of military madness and stupidity. It is the WW2 tale of American fighter pilot Captain Yossarian, who spends his time in Italy plotting to survive despite the ever changing military pressure on him and contains great humour despite the bleak philosophy.

**Conn Iggulden**

**Wolf of the Plains**

The first book in the bestselling Conqueror series featuring Genghis Khan and his descendants.

**Robert Ludlum**

**The Bourne Identity**

Who is Jason Bourne? Why does he have four million dollars in a Swiss bank account? They are good questions. Jason has lost his memory and his search to find out who he is and what he has done starts with one clue: somebody wants him dead.

**Andy McNab**

**Cross Fire**

Nick Stone is body-guarding a TV crew on the streets of war-torn Basra when his life is saved by a reporter's swift action as a roadside bomb explodes. When the man later vanishes, Stone is asked to find him. The trail leads from Iraq to Bermuda, London and Kabul...but Nick finds that instead of the hunter he becomes the hunted.

**Mal Peet**

**Keeper**

In a newspaper office, Paul Faustino, South America's top football writer, sits opposite the man they call El Gato, the cat, the world's greatest goalkeeper. On the table between them stands the World Cup. In the hours that follow, El Gato tells his incredible life story.

**Terry Pratchett**

**Discworld Series**

The Discworld is flat, and rides through space on the backs of four elephants who stand in turn on the back of Great A'Tuin, the giant turtle. Start with 'The Colour of Magic' for a chaotic voyage through a crazy world filled with monsters and dragons, heroes and knaves.

**Chris Ryan**

**Blackout**

London. Paris. New York. One by one the power systems get switched off in three of the world's major cities, plunging them into darkness and chaos. Is this the greatest terrorist spectacular since 9-11? Josh Harding, SAS soldier, working undercover on anti-terrorist operations is drawn into a deadly conspiracy. To stay alive, he must find out why he was shot and who is turning off the power around the world.

**Simon Scarrow**

**Under the Eagle**

The first in a series involving treachery, honour, battles and political machinations as Quintus Licinius Cato joins the Second Roman Legion in AD 42 and heads towards the barbaric land of Britain.

**Mary Shelley**

**Frankenstein**

The world's most famous monster comes to life in this 1818 novel, a compelling narrative that combines Gothic romance and science fiction to tell of an ambitious young doctor's attempts to breathe life into an artificial man. Despite the doctor's best intentions, the experiment goes horribly wrong in a timeless tale about the hazards of playing creator.

**J R R Tolkien**

**The Fellowship of the Ring**

The first part of Tolkien's epic masterpiece, The Lord of the Rings. Sauron, the Dark Lord, has gathered to him all the Rings of Power, the means by which he intends to rule Middle-earth. All he lacks in his plans for dominion is the One Ring, the ring that rules them all, which has fallen into the hands of the hobbit, Bilbo Baggins.

**Rachel Ward**

**Numbers**

Since her mother's death, fifteen-year-old Jem has kept a secret. When her eyes meet someone else's, a number pops into her head; the date on which they will die. Knowing that nothing lasts forever, Jem avoids relationships, but when she meets a boy called Spider and they plan a day out together her life takes a new twist and turn. Waiting for the London Eye, she sees everyone in the queue has the same number - something terrible is going to happen. Winner of the Salisbury Schools' Book Award 2012.

**Scott Westerfield**

**The Secret Hour**

Strange things happen at midnight in the town of Bixby, Oklahoma. Time freezes. Nobody moves. For one secret hour each night the town belongs to the dark creatures that haunt the shadows. Only a small group of people know about the secret hour; only they are free to move about the midnight time.

**Chris Wooding**

**Retribution Falls**

Frey is the captain of the Ketty Jay and with his gang makes a living on the wrong side of the law, A hot tip on a cargo freighter loaded with valuables seems like a great prospect for an easy heist and a fast buck; until the heist goes wrong and the freighter explodes. An exhilarating adventure.

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