



**Cardinal Pole Year 10 suggested reading: all books are available in our Library.**

**Classic reads:**

The Age of Innocence by Edith Wharton  
The Portrait of Dorian Gray by Oscar Wilde  
To Kill a Mockingbird by Harper Lee  
Jane Eyre by Charlotte Bronte  
Great Expectations by Charles Dickens  
Pride and Prejudice by Jane Austen  
Kindred by Octavia Butler  
The Handmaid's Tale by Margaret Atwood  
A Room With a View by EM Forster  
1984 by George Orwell  
Rebecca by Daphne Du Maurier  
The Colour Purple by Alice Walker  
If Beale Street Could Talk by James Baldwin

***Adult fiction suitable for Yr 10:***

Anything by Khaled Hosseini – eg A Thousand Splendid Suns  
Americanah, Half of a Yellow Sun and Purple Hibiscus by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie  
True Story by Kate Reid Petty  
The Bell Jar by Sylvia Plath  
Piranesi by Susanna Clarke  
The Virgin Suicides by Jeffrey Eugenides  
The Help by Kathryn Stockett  
Brick Lane by Monica Ali  
My Sister The Serial Killer by Oyinkan Braithwaite  
The Girl With the Louding Voice by Abi Dare  
The Book Thief by Markus Zusak  
Home Fires by Kamila Shamsie (A Muslim reimagining of Sophocles' Antigone)  
Honour by Elif Shafak  
The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo by Stieg Larsson  
The Seven Husbands of Evelyn Hugo by Taylor Jenkins Reid  
The Silent Patient by Alex Michaelides

**Young Adult fiction:**

The Gilded Ones by Namina Forna  
The Hate U Give by Angie Thomas, and the prequel Concrete Rose  
The Long Way Down by Jason Reynolds  
The Divergent series – Veronica Roth  
The Scythe series by Neal Schusterman  
What We're Scared of by Keren David  
Full Disclosure by Camryn Garrett  
Unpregnant by Jenni Hendricks and Ted Caplan  
The Hunger Games series  
The Perks of Being a Wallflower by Stephen Chobsky  
Anything by Juno Dawson – Meat Market etc

Anything by Alice Oseman – Heartstopper etc.  
Anything by Leigh Bardugo – eg the Shadow and Bone series  
Anything by Holly Bourne – Places I've cried in Public etc  
The Burning by Laura Bates  
Punching The Air by Ibi Zoboi and Yusef Salaam (verse novel)  
Simon and the Homo Sapiens Agenda, or anything by Becky Albertalli  
Damsel and Red Hood by Elana K Arnold

**Non-fiction:**

Brit (ish) Afua Hirsch  
This Is Going To Hurt by Adam Kay (real-life account of life as an NHS doctor)  
We Have Always Been Here  
Black and White (memoir of a young Black female barrister).  
The Secret Barrister  
Hood Feminism  
When They Call You A Terrorist – the story of the Black Lives Matter Movement  
Guest House For Young Widows: Among The Women of Isis  
Barack Obama: Dreams of My Father  
The Five by Hallie Rubenhold (the history of the victims of Jack the Ripper – a must-read if you're studying GCSE history).  
Woman Up by Laura Bates  
Everywoman by Jess Phillips