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Dear Parents and Carers

As a school we continue to encourage pupils to engage with a wide range of literature and to experience and enjoy the wonders of reading. It is a pleasure to see how many members of the student body have a passion for reading.

Reading content for a Year 7 pupil can be vastly different to that of our Year 11 pupils. There are so many texts available to pupils and with the popularity of books being reviewed on social media (including TikTok and Instagram) your child is able to access a wealth of information on different books.

However, not all books are appropriate for their age group, even if an older sibling has read it recently. In particular we are seeing a huge uptake in the reading of novels by authors such as Chloe Walsh, Colleen Hoover and *Icebreaker* by Hannah Grace. Many novels, such as these, are widely published and often seen being advertised on TikTok. But they are not always appropriate for KS3 pupils.

With this in mind we encourage parents to take an interest in what your child may be reading and to look online at the content if you are unsure or ask in your local library. Websites which may be useful are:

[Goodreads](#) | [Meet your next favorite book](#)
[Bookfinder: find children's books for every age](#) | [BookTrust](#)

Yours sincerely

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