

WORLD THROUGH THE PAGES



'Today a reader tomorrow a leader' - Margaret Fuller (Women's Rights Activist)

March 2021

Welcome

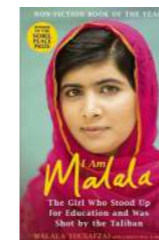
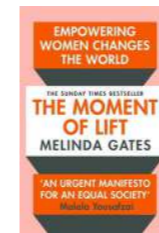
We are delighted to be publishing the first issue of 'World Through the Pages'. Our goal is to help everyone in OLG to find a book that will transport them to a different world. We also hope to discuss and raise awareness about world and societal issues through recommending relevant books and publishing student-written articles on the matters. We hope you participate in future opportunities to have your work featured! Thank you to everyone who gave us recommendations, don't worry if your suggestion doesn't appear- we have saved some for future issues!
-Sarah Wall, Claudia Moran, Hannah Hughes (5th year)

This issue

In light of International Women's Day on the 8th, the theme for the March issue is Women in Literature. We have compiled a section focusing on this theme with books written by and about strong and inspiring women. Our 1st year book report competition winners wrote brilliant reviews of three books by female authors. We have plenty of potential for some excellent 'Women in Literature' in OLG so get reading, and we look forward to featuring the work of some future authors, poets, or journalists soon!

Women in Literature

- Good Night Stories for Rebel Girls - Elena Favilli
- The Moment of Lift - Melinda Gates
- The Education of an Idealist - Samantha Power
- I am Malala - Malala Yousafzai



- The Handmaid's Tale - Margaret Atwood
- Becoming - Michelle Obama
- One of the Good Ones - Maika Moulite



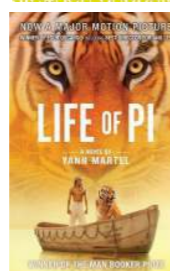
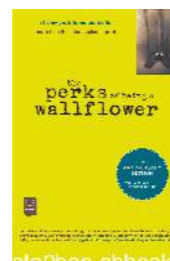
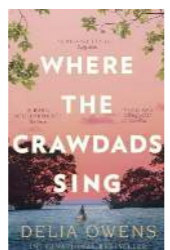
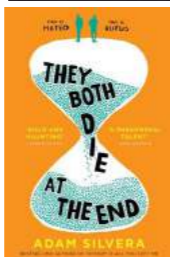
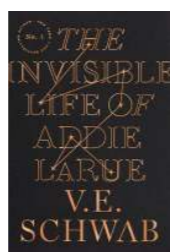
- I Know Why The Cage Bird Sings - Maya Angelou



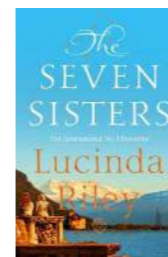
RECOMMENDATIONS

Here are some of the student body's best and most brilliant recommendations. So have a look, pick a few you might fancy and get reading...

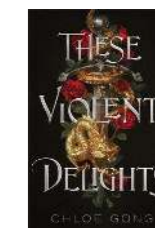
- The Invisible Life of Addie LaRue - V.E. Schwab
- They Both Die at the End - Adam Silvera
- Where the Crawdads Sing - Delia Owens
- Aristotle and Dante Discover the Secrets of the Universe - Benjamin Alire Saenz
- The Perks of Being a Wallflower - Stephen Chbosky
- Life of Pi - Yann Martel



- The Lovely Bones - Alice Sebold
- Caraval - Stephanie Garber
- The Seven Sisters - Lucinda Riley
- All The Light We Cannot See - Anthony Doerr
- Why I'm No Longer Talking To White People About Race - Reni Eddo-Lodge
- Big Little Lies - Liane Moriarty
- American Dirt - Jeanine Cummins
- Girl, Missing - Sophie McKenzie



- These Violent Delights - Chloe Gong
- A Little Life - Hanya Yanagihara
- Tiffany Sly Lives Here Now - Dana L. Davis
- The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Nighttime - Mark Haddon
- The Nightingale - Kristin Hannah
- Carrie - Stephen King
- Paper Princess - Erin Watt
- Jane Eyre - Charlotte Brontë
- Turtles All the Way Down - John Green



Book Report Competition - 1st Year Edition

Inspired by a wonderful idea from Molly Boyle (1st year), we ran a book report competition amongst 1st years. We are hoping to have many more opportunities like this across all year groups in the future. Congratulations to our winners for this issue and well done to them on their wonderful reports!

The Last Paper Crane by Kerry Drewry - Emily Sayers

On the 6th of August 1945, an atomic bomb was dropped on Hiroshima, Japan, killing 80,000 plus people.

The main story in this is based in that time.

Mizuki is worried about her grandad she she can tell something is hurting him deeply on the inside and draining the happiness out of him. She gets him to talk to her about a secret that is the Cause of his unhappiness. Her grandad Ichiro, was in Hiroshima when the bomb was dropped and he has a promise that he was unable to keep that burned his insides with guilt for decades after. This book is a sad but incredible story about Ichiro during the explosion and the times after that haunted him.

I really liked this book because World War Two is very interesting and this book showed a different aspect of it. The layout of this book was very pretty and unique, some pages were set like a poem, some in red circles and others normal. This book made me think about all the people that suffered during that time and how even the ones that survived, have memories of it that they would do anything to take away.

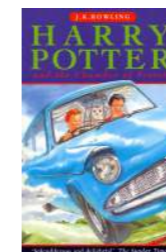


Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets by JK Rowling - Molly Boyle

I think this book is amazing as there is so much suspense throughout the book. I would definitely recommend this book as it really makes you brainstorm your ideas of what might happen next. The book is mostly taken place in Hogwarts. It's about a boy named Harry Potter who is a wizard and finds mysterious things happening around his school of witchcraft and wizardry. As you read on more things will be revealed. Some of the plot twists made my mouth hang open!

Eventually people have speculation about the Chamber of Secrets, but nobody knows where it is. People are getting petrified and turning like a stone from something lurking in the school. There is only so much time for Harry to find how to stop this before somebody dies! Will he be able?

This book is suitable for all ages. There are 360 amazing pages!



Midnight Sun by Trish Cook - Dimah Abdulrazzaq

Most people say that personality is what matters the most in a person, but do they really mean that, or are they just saying that to appear as a decent human?

Katie Price, the protagonist of this story, had an extremely rare condition called xeroderma pigmentosum (basically, she's allergic to the sun), and she wasn't able to go out while the sun was out because of it, so she went out at night and played her guitar and sang for people. One day, whilst performing, she captured a boy's attention- Charlie Reed. They ended up falling in love, but she kept the fact that she had xeroderma pigmentosum hidden from him, scared that he would judge her; she told him that she could only see him at night because she was busy in the morning. Let me just say that things didn't go too well for the both of them after that.

Midnight Sun is a fantastic book. I think that the messages the author is trying to convey are people who don't like you for you are not worth your time, and you have absolutely no idea what somebody could be going through.

This book has changed the way I view a lot of things, because the messages the author conveyed really stuck with me. I would definitely recommend it.



5 Tips to Read More:

1 **ALWAYS** have a book with you - you never know when you'll get the chance to read!



2 **Have a routine** - 10 minutes in the morning, 10 minutes before bed. This will all add up and once you get started it might be hard to stop!



3 **Set up a Goodreads account** - This app will motivate you as you can set a yearly reading goal, track what you have read, and get recommendations based on your ratings for books you've read.



4 **Audiobooks** - If physically reading really isn't for you, try listening! There are loads of audiobooks on YouTube as well as the app Audible. You will be able to 'read' while doing the dishes, tidying your room or even going on a walk!



5 **The Page 50 Rule** - Never give up on a book before page 50. The first couple of chapters are often a struggle as you aren't invested in the characters and the plot hasn't taken off yet. Push through and you will probably be grateful you stuck with it. However, if you are past the 50 page mark and still struggling through the book, don't be afraid to put it down. Battling through a book that's not for you will put you off reading completely- why waste time that could be spent on a life changing novel instead?



Book Challenges

- Read a family member's favourite book
- Read a book published the year you were born
- Read a book that is the first in a new series
- Read a book with a blue cover
- Read a book with five words in the title

