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"Perhaps one did not want to be loved so much as to be understood."

Which books should every teenager have read before they leave high school? The Times Educational Supplement has compiled a list of novels for students to read before leaving school, voted for by teachers. How many have you read?

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| 1. 1984 by George Orwell | 12. To Kill A Mockingbird by Harper Lee |
| 2. Animal Farm by George Orwell | 13. Lord of the Flies by William Golding |
| 3. Of Mice and Men by John Steinbeck | 14. The Harry Potter Series by JK Rowling |
| 4. A Christmas Carol by Charles Dickens | 15. The Catcher in the Rye by JD Salinger |
| 5. Great Expectations by Charles Dickens | 16. Pride and Prejudice by Jane Austen |
| 6. Danny, Champion of the World by Roald Dahl | 17. Jane Eyre by Charlotte Bronte |
| 7. The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas by John Boyne | 18. Brave New World by Aldous Huxley |
| 8. Wuthering Heights by Emily Bronte | 19. Frankenstein by Mary Shelley |
| 9. Birdsong by Sebastian Faulks | 20. A Kestrel for a Knave by Barry Hines |
| 10. The Lord of the Rings trilogy by JRR Tolkien | |
| 11. The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time by Mark Haddon | |

Panthers Against Destructive Decision in the Library

~ Whitney Jackson ~

Students Against Destructive Decisions focused on operation teen safe driving night on January 18th. S.A.D.D. handed out pamphlets to remind us why safe driving is important. Not only was this a S.A.D.D., the part of it. The



was neon night. The Pep Club sticks and prepared the fan section against Gillespie. The crowd, all showed their spirit by cheering. After the game, the Pep Club planned a dance for the high



ing is important. Not night dedicated to Pep Club was also theme of the game handed out glow for a big game dressed in neon, the win, the celebration, the S.A.D.D. and Pep school students. A

DJ was provided for the dance, which was what made it fun the past 3 years. Hopefully the school can continue this tradition and get a lot of students to participate.

That One Library Article

Victoria Howard— The classic book, *Wicked*, written by Gregory Maguire, was a fantastic read, despite my own personal views on the horrors of romantic story back-erwise which is to com-for doing, perience, way to charac-when promi-terless with the storyline and diverging from canon. So, props to Maguire for being able to mostly avoid treading on the toes of *The Wizard of Oz* while simultaneously giving the *Wicked Witch of the West* a sort of background.



undertones. The gave a wonderful ground to an oth-hollow character, something I have mend the author as in my own ex- there is no easy flesh out particular ters in a story they are both nent and charac- without clashing



Inside the Library

Riley Hewitt ~ The LHS library is filled with many books from many different authors and many different genres. The library is split almost in half by nonfiction and fiction; both sides filled with hundreds of books. We have most new releases and the most popular books but if a book you are hunting for is not in it the library, one of the assistants or Mr. Cooper could track down your book through our library system. Our library is connected not only to Litchfield's

Public Library, but also to every other school in the state, so if you need a book there is no excuse for us not to find it.



"We can't find any of our Waldo books."

Without libraries what have we? We have no past and no future.-Ray Bradbury



Abi's Pick

Abi Morris ~ A good book to read in the LHS library is *The Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe*. It is the first book of the seven high fantasy novels by C.S. Lewis. It is set in the fictional land of Narnia. It is a world of magic, mythical beasts, and talking animals. The series narrates the adventures of various of children who play main roles in the unfolding history of Narnia. *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe* is about four ordinary kids. Peter, Susan, Edmund, and Lucy. They have been evacuated from their home to a countryside home in London. In their Professor's house, they discover a wardrobe. The Wardrobe leads them to the magical land of Narnia. The kids help Aslan, a talking lion save Narnia. Their main mission is to save Narnia from the evil witch. Once they have defeated the evil witch, the kids become the queens and kings of Narnia. They have established the golden ages of narnia, leaving a legacy to be rediscovered in later years.

Our Library

Bailey Lentz ~ The library can sometimes be a huge thing to handle. That's why Coach Cooper has library assistants. The library assistants check out books for students, and put the books away on the shelves. Although this seems quite simple, it can be difficult, at times, when people abuse the books and do not put them away properly. It can be a lot of work having to reorganize an entire section because two or three books are out of place. The library assistants greatly appreciate when students put the books away in the right spot. Also, if anyone ever has a question about where a certain book is or about a specific genre that they're looking for, they can just simply ask the library assistant! They will do their best to search for whatever book you need! Another thing library assistants help out with would be the printer. Sometimes, the printer can be tricky so, once again, if you ever need help, just ask!

Val's Suggestions

Val Furlong ~ The last song is a fantastic and romantic novel about the life of Ronnie. It is filled with hope for love and relationship goals. Every girl can somehow relate to Ronnie Miller in some way whether it's through her attitude towards her dad, her being rebellious with her new friend, or her developing feelings for a boy. For the summer, Ronnie and her brother go to stay with her dad in his beach house. Ronnie has hateful feelings towards her dad and wants to go back home to her mom's but can't. Ronnie goes down to a beach fair and meets this hunk of a guy and starts falling for him. The book expresses the love between two young teens from totally different backgrounds. Ronnie's dad tries to connect back with Ronnie by trying to play piano with her like they used to. She blows him off and goes out with her new friend. Ronnie could go to college on a music scholarship but, will she mess it up? The dad becomes very sick and Ronnie running out of time to make things right for her dad. Does her and Will work out in the end? Does Ronnie fix things with her friend and Dad? I suggest reading it to find out the answers.



A library is not a luxury but one of the necessities of life.
- Henry Ward Beecher

THE LIBRARY WORKER

Tatum Fenton ~ If you ever want to be a library assistant, make sure you know how to work the printer. I have been asked many times to help someone make a copy and I had no idea how to work the printer, so I had to learn. Some days I have to take a Chrome cart or the iPads to a teacher's room. Sometimes a teacher may need a T.V. so it is my job to take it to their room. If the library gets a new newspaper, I have to change out the old one. Same goes with magazines, if a new one comes it is my job to change it out. All of the library assistants are assigned two sections of the library. Mine are the biography section and the 600-699 section in the non-fiction side. I am required to check each day to make sure the books are in order in the sections. These are some of the jobs of being a library assistant.



Ayres' Authors

Tristen Ayres— On of my favorite authors is Barbara Kingsolver. She has written many books, including *The Poisonwood Bible*, *Flight Behavior*, and *The Awakening*. She is very creative and writes serious fiction books. Many do have humor, but mainly serious. *The Poisonwood Bible* is one book we have to read in Honors senior year. The high school library have many copies of this book. If they happen to run out, the public library have multiple copies as well. If this book is read before the honors class, you will be ahead of the game and it will be easier to understand. Kingsolver is a difficult writer to sometimes understand, so you have to read slow and comprehend. Barbara Kingsolver will always be one of my favorite authors.

Interview with a Patron

Panther Pages: What brings you to the library more often?

Tony Miller: I bring back books and come here to pick up papers

PP:What is your favorite thing about the library?

TM: The array of books that we can nose from and Mr. Cooper

PP:What do you think about the selection of books in the library?

TM: I think that the selection at LHS library is excellent and has a variety of books to choose from

PP:What do you do most here in the library?

TM: Use the computers and check out books

PP:Does the library suit your needs?

TM: Yes it does

Library Website Check it Out

<http://lcsudimc.weebly.com/>



There is no foot
too small
that it cannot leave an
imprint
on this
WORLD.



Interview with a Patron

PP: Panther Pages: What brings you to the library more often?

Shaina Graham—Coach Coop

PP: What is your favorite thing about the library?

SG: Coach Coop

PP: What do you think about the selection of books in the library?

SG: Diverse

PP: What do you do most here in the library?

SG: Talk to Coach Coop

PP: Does the library suit your needs?

SG: Sure does



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LHS/LMS Library is always looking for book suggestion. If you know of a good book or have read a good book and would like to recommend one, stop in the library and tell a library worker. You can also fill out a book suggestion form, located on the library website