**16 before 16 Reading Challenge**

‘16 before 16′ is our new reading ay home competition for all our pupils. It runs until the end of Year 11 or until our pupils have read their 16 books.

The increased difficulty and level of challenge in the new English GCSE means that students need to be fully prepared for what is now expected of them. The ’16 before 16’ initiative is designed to support and aid this preparation. Below is a list of books specially selected by me as the ‘must read’ texts for our young people. Your child is asked to read them before they finish their studies at Lyng Hall School. All pupils have access to myON, an online Library paid for by the school, so you won’t incur any costs.

* **Animal Farm** by George Orwell Year 10
* **The Book Thief** by Markus Zusak Year 9
* **The Hate U Give** by Angie Thomas Year 10
* **Percy Jackson** series by Rick Riordan Year 7
* **Hunger Games** by Suzanne Collins Year 7/8
* **A Short History of Nearly Everything** by Bill Bryson Year 10/11
* **The Handmaid’s Tale** by Margaret Atwood Year 10/11
* **Oliver Twist** by Charles Dickens Year 7/8/9
* **I am Malala** by Malala Yousafazi Year 8/9
* **The Great Gatsby** by F. Scott Fitzgerald Year 9/10/11
* **Frankenstein** by Mary Shelley Year 9/10/11
* **Noughts and Crosses** by Malorie Blackman Year 8/9
* **The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-time** by Mark Haddon Year 7/8/9
* **To Kill a Mockingbird** by Harper Lee Year 8/9/10
* **Pride and Prejudice** by Jane Austen Year 11
* **The Kite Runner** by Khalid Hosseini Year 10/11