St Edward's Academy Curriculum Reading Lists

To help you to be successful in all curriculum areas, you should spend time exploring your subjects more widely. Reading around your subjects will help to increase your understanding and will be an interesting and rewarding activity. This additional reading is a supra-curricular activity and it enhances the curriculum. The supra-curriculum is also different to the extra-curricular activities that you take part in.

A supra-curricular activity is subject-specific academic exploration. It builds on and goes beyond what you are studying through the school curriculum. Supra-curricular activities are purely academic in focus and directly relevant to the subject being studied (as opposed to only being relevant through the transferable skills gained). A supra-curricular activity therefore refers to anything you do to explore your subject in greater depth in your own time.

Academic enrichment should be an interesting and rewarding process for you. There is no set formula, nor any 'required reading': it is a chance for you to pick topics that fascinate you and to explore them in a variety of ways. There are also no exams or deadlines and you are free to develop your own lines of research. Do not feel pressured to read something that seems 'impressive', let your own interests guide you. Academic exploration is also a good chance for you to think about what you might like to study in the future.

The following reading lists are intended to challenge and interest you and deepen your understanding of the subject. Enjoy!

French

Key Stage 3
- Mick Webb - Book of Languages: Talk Your Way Around the World (Year 7)
- Adam Jacot de Boinod - The Meaning of Tingo and Other Extraordinary Words from Around the World
- Rachel Best and JC Van - Excuse My French

Key Stages 4 & 5

- David Crystal - Language Play
- Michael Erard - Babel No More: The Search for The World's Most Extraordinary Language Learners
- Anna Gavalda - 35 Kilos of Hope (Novel set in France and translated from French)