



**This fortnight's HDHS Recommended reads:**

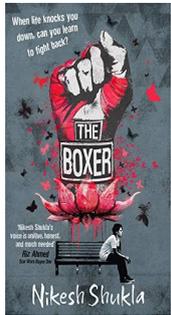
**Key Stage 3: *The House with Chicken Legs***



**"Heartbreaking, uplifting, and absolutely beautiful." - Kirkus Reviews**

Marinka dreams of a normal life, where her house stays in one place long enough for her to make friends. But her house has chicken legs and moves on without warning. For Marinka's grandmother is Baba Yaga, who guides spirits between this world and the next. Marinka longs to change her destiny and sets out to break free from her grandmother's footsteps, but her house has other ideas...

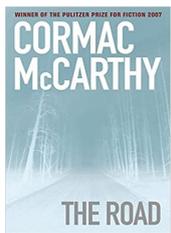
**Key Stage 4: *The Boxer***



**"Nikesh Shukla writes with a tough fist and a tender heart. This is the kind of book that will keep any young adult reading" - Matt Haig**

A gripping, life-affirming YA novel about friendship, radicalisation and finding where you belong. Told over the course of the ten rounds of his first fight, this is the story of amateur boxer Sunny. A seventeen year old feeling isolated and disconnected in the city he's just moved to, Sunny joins a boxing club to learn to protect himself after a racist attack.

**Key Stage 5: *The Road***



**"So good that it will devour you, in parts. It is incandescent. -- Niall Griffiths, Daily Telegraph**

The Road depicts a broken America destroyed by cataclysmic events - society has collapsed and humanity barely survives. In the midst of this dystopia, a father and son embark on a perilous journey in search of salvation.

**Teachers, Parents and Carers: *The Hundred Year Old Man Who Climbed Out Of The Window And Disappeared.***



**"very funny, at times extremely dramatic and also quite educational- Mr Garnham, HDHS**

Escaping (in his slippers) through his bedroom window, into the flowerbed, Allan makes his getaway and so begins his picaresque and unlikely journey involving criminals, several murders, a suitcase full of cash, and incompetent police.

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Reading for purpose and reading for pleasure**

