



# SENIOR LIBRARY BOOK SNAP

#### Anime and Manga Club

Think you know more about manga and anime than anyone else? Think you are the best and most loyal fan of them all? Come and prove your knowledge next Tuesday lunchtime at the Anime and Manga Club, which is having an ultimate Anime/Manga quiz battle! Lots of yummy Japanese themed prizes to be won!

Come celebrating all things Japanese pop culture. All are welcome! The Club will be held in N2.

### Overdue notices

Library overdue notices will be emailed next week. Students who do not return their books after receiving their third email notice as well as an email to their parents will be invoiced for a replacement copy. All invoices will still stand if books are returned after this final date. If you have any problems or questions regarding overdue books please speak to Mrs Comiskey or Mr Smith who will be happy to help.

# **Super Series Starters**

The first thrilling part of three epic stories...

'The Eye of the Wold: The Wheel in Time' - Robert Jordan

"When their village is attacked by terrifying creatures, Rand al'Thor and his friends are forced to flee for their lives. An ancient evil is stirring, and its servants are scouring the land for the Dragon Reborn - the prophesised hero who can deliver the world from darkness. In this Age of myth and legend, the Wheel of Time turns. What was, what may be, and what is, may yet fall under the Shadow."

Favourably compared to Tolkien's epic 'Lord of the Rings' trilogy, 'The Wheel in Time' is an incredible epic fantasy series filled with wonder, awe, excitement and action. With a deep and thrilling story, filled with lots of wonderful lore and detail that really brings the world alive, this is a novel that all fantasy fans should definitely read.

# 'Scythe: Arc of a Scythe' - Neal Shusterman

"In a world where disease, war and crime have been eliminated, the only way to die is to be randomly killed ("gleaned") by professional scythes. Citra and Rowan are teenagers who have been selected to be scythes' apprentices, and despite wanting nothing to do with the vocation, they must learn the art of killing and understand the necessity of what they do. Only one of them will be chosen as a scythe's apprentice and as Citra and Rowan come up against a terrifyingly corrupt Scythedom, it becomes clear that the winning apprentice's first task will be to glean the loser."

Dark, chilling and thought provoking, 'Scythe' is a wonderful new dystopian series that will pull in many readers with its unique take on the human quest for the ultimate power – the power over life and death. Well written, with a fast-paced plot filled with twists and turns, this is a novel that would be a great read for fans of 'The Hunger Games' and the 'Divergent' series. Due to its darker tone and content, this novel would be better suited for students in Year 9 and above.

#### 'Monstrous Devices' - Damien Love

"On a winter's day in a British town, twelve-year old Alex receives a package in the mail: an old tin robot from his grandfather. "This one is special," says the enclosed note, and when strange events start occurring around him, Alex suspects this small toy is more than special; it might be deadly. Right as things get out of hand, Alex's grandfather arrives, pulling him away from an attack—and his otherwise humdrum world of friends, bullies, and homework—and into the macabre magic of an ancient family feud. Together, the duo flees across snowy Europe, unravelling the riddle of the little robot while trying to outwit relentless assassins of the human and mechanical kind."

'Monstrous Devices' is a wonderfully tense and spooky debut novel from author Damien Love. Filled with mystery and suspense, as well as a good dose of exciting action with lots deadly mechanical monsters and thrilling chases sequences, this is a novel that is bound to create many new fans.

Mrs Annette Comiskey & Mr Michael Smith

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