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Dear readers,

We're now well into the month of mists and mellow fruitfulness – and it's dark at 5 o'clock. What else to do but read?

This month's new [reviews](#) are the Booker short-listed CARRY ME DOWN by M J Hyland and the fantastic new novel by Maggie O'Farrell, THE VANISHING ACT OF ESME LENNOX.

Our [guest review](#) is STEAL YOU AWAY by Niccolo Ammaniti which we are offering free to 10 lucky registered readers.

Take advantage of our great [offers](#) which include copies of THE BELLY OF THE ATLANTIC by Fatou Diome. We also have discounts from Cottages 4 You and Lovereading.co.uk. Please first [register](#) your group. You only need to do this once!

Enter our [competition](#) to win a copy of CARRY ME DOWN by M J Hyland or THE VANISHING ACT OF ESME LENNOX by Maggie O'Farrell.

Congratulations to the 20 prize-winners of last month's competition who have each won a copy EVERYMAN'S RULES FOR SCIENTIFIC LIVING by Carrie Tiffany.

Our [Bookgroup of the Month](#) is the Close Readers from Salisbury. Fill in the [questionnaire](#) if you'd like to be a BGoTM.

Kieran Desai has won the [Man Booker Prize](#) for THE INHERITANCE OF LOSS.

Rachel Trezise has won the new £60,000 Dylan Thomas award for writers under 30, for [FRESH APPLES](#).

On Radio 4 [Bookclub](#) Sunday 5 and Thursday 9 November the scientist Lewis Wolpert discusses his book MALIGNANT SADNESS, the account of his own debilitating depression.

Orhan Pamuk is the 2006 Nobel Laureate. Read what Margaret Atwood has to say in the [Guardian](#).

Mariella Frostrup hosts a new literary television programme, THE BOOK SHOW, on the Artsworld channel at 8pm on Thursdays.

Anthony McGowan is the winner of the 2006 [Booktrust Teenage Prize](#) for his book, HENRY TUMOUR.

Would your children like to get together to talk about the books they love? There may be a [Chatterbooks](#) reading group at your local library. Macmillan publishers have produced a webcast about Chatterbooks, which describes how the project works. Find more at www.i-newsmacmillan.com

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