Staff Reader of the Month for April

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Background:
“I have been at SSC for 9 years now-wow!! The time has gone so quickly! Before I started work here I worked in other Melbourne schools, taught English in Japan and travelled around Europe.”

How often do you like to read?
“I am reading all the time! Whether it is novels for work, books of my own choice, the Economist, the Financial Times . . . . I like catching the train to work so it is a great chance to read.”

What do you like to read?
“I love reading novels, whether the classics or something new; I have been reading more non-fiction books lately which has been really interesting. After going back to Sweden and Germany over the summer I have been trying to include more German Literature and Scandinavian fiction to keep working on my Swedish! I also enjoy a variety of newspapers/magazines: The Financial Times, The Economist etc. Of course I also enjoy reading my student essays?!”
List one book that has left a lasting impression on you and explain why it’s memorable.

Just one? That is such a hard question. One of my favourite novels is “One Hundred Years of Solitude” by Gabriel Garcia Marquez. I studied this at uni and it was quite different to anything I had read before. One of my favourite non-fiction texts is “German Genius” - a really interesting book on Germany’s influence on science, philosophy, music, art, economics etc.