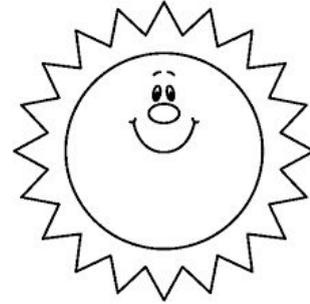


Summer Reading List 2019

Read one of the following books over the summer:

- *H is for Hawk*, Helen MacDonal
- *Chinese Cinderella*, Adeline Yen Mah
- *Between a Rock and a Hard Place*, Aron Ralston
- *Touching the Void* by Joe Simpson
- *Catcher in the Rye* by JD Salinger



Be prepared to feedback on the book you chose in your first lesson back.

Try to do as much reading as possible over break. Feel free to read books that aren't on this list too, but these are some ideas to get you inspired!

Fiction

- ***The Lie Tree* by Frances Hardinge**

A deliciously creepy novel from Frances Hardinge, the award-winning author of *Cuckoo Song* and *Fly By Night*. Plagued by an unspoken scandal, fourteen-year-old Faith Sunderly and her family are forced to flee their home in Kent to start a new life. But news travels fast, and the gossip they're running from soon reaches the small island community of Vane, to devastating effect.

- ***My Sister's Keeper* by Jodi Picoult**

Anna is not sick, but she might as well be. By age thirteen, she has undergone countless surgeries, transfusions, and shots so that her older sister, Kate, can somehow fight the leukemia that has plagued her since childhood. Like most teenagers, Anna is beginning to question who she truly is. But unlike most teenagers, she has always been defined in terms of her sister -- and so Anna makes a decision that for most would be unthinkable, a decision that will tear her family apart and have perhaps fatal consequences for the sister she loves.

- ***Red Rising (trilogy)* by Pierce Brown**

Did you enjoy *The Maze Runner* or *The Hunger Games* Trilogy? Then check out this new trilogy. The Earth is dying. Darrow is a Red, a miner in the interior of Mars. His mission is to extract enough precious elements to one day tame the surface of the planet and allow humans to live on it. The Reds are humanity's last hope. Or so it appears, until the day Darrow discovers it's all a lie.

- ***Gone* by Michael Grant**

Gripping from the first moment, this is a scary, an unputdownable and a brilliantly plotted fantasy. One minute all the adults are there - next they're gone! Only the children remain and

they are trapped, cut off from the outside world and, scarily, left to rule themselves. Can they survive?

- ***Buffalo Soldier* by Tanya Landman**

What kind of a girl steals the clothes from a dead man's back and runs off to join the army? A desperate one, that's who. The world been turned on its head by that big old war, and the army seemed like the safest place to be, until we was sent off to fight them Indians. And then? Heck! When Death's so close you can smell his breath, ain't nothing makes you feel more alive.

- ***Slam* by Nick Hornby**

When fifteen-year-old skateboarder Sam "Slam" Jones learns that his ex-girlfriend is pregnant, he turns to the only person he feels can help — his hero, skating legend Tony Hawk. Since Tony is only a poster and does not offer answers, it is up to Sam, thrust suddenly into maturity, to figure out the right thing to do.

- ***Fire Colour One* by Jenny Valentine**

A teenage girl will soon discover, there are some things which burn even brighter than fire. Iris's father Ernest is at the end of his life. Her best friend Thurston seems like a distant memory to her. Her mother has declared war. She means to get her hands on Ernest's priceless art collection so that she can afford to live the high life. But Ernest has other ideas.

Nonfiction

- ***The Wikipedia revolution: how a bunch of nobodies created the world's greatest encyclopedia* by Andrew Lih** Lih researched Wikipedia and collaborative journalism as a University of Hong Kong academic, and he has been a participating "Wikipedian" himself for the past five years. He notes the site has "invigorated and disrupted the world of encyclopedias... yet only a fraction of the public who use Wikipedia realize it is entirely created by legions of unpaid and often unidentified volunteers."
- ***The greatest stories never told : 100 tales from history to astonish, bewilder, & stupefy* by Rick Beyer** History isn't always made by great armies colliding or by great civilizations rising or falling. Sometimes it's made when a chauffeur takes a wrong turn or a scientist forgets to clean up his lab. That's the kind of history you'll find in this book.
- ***Soul surfer : a true story of faith, family, and fighting to get back on the board* by Bethany Hamilton** When the first thing Bethany wanted to know after surgery was "When can I surf again?" it became clear that her unfaltering

spirit and determination were part of a greater story -- a tale of courage and faith that this modest and soft-spoken girl would come to share with the world.

- ***Blink : the power of thinking without thinking* by Malcolm Gladwell** Blink is a book about how we think without thinking, about choices that seem to be made in an instant-in the blink of an eye-that actually aren't as simple as they seem. Why are some people brilliant decision makers, while others are consistently inept? Why do some people follow their instincts and win, while others end up stumbling into error? How do our brains really work-in the office, in the classroom, in the kitchen, and in the bedroom? And why are the best decisions often those that are impossible to explain to others?