# **Year 9 – Recommended Reads**

Here are a few ideas of what you might enjoy reading over the summer. Don't worry if you can't find these exact books in your local library – just read anything that you like the look of – and if you really enjoy one, we'd love you to write a review on the Library webpage to tell people about it.



Austen, J. - Persuasion

Anne was "persuaded" by her friends and family to end her relationship with Captain Wentworth. Both single and unattached, they meet again after a seven-year separation ...



Available in St Aidan's Library at Fiction AUS



# Bradley, A. - The Sweetness at the Bottom of the Pie

11-year old chemist Flavia is plotting revenge on her older sisters. Then a dead bird is left on the doorstep, and a body is found in the garden. Flavia decides to do some investigating of her own.

Available in St Aidan's Library at Fiction BRA



# Clarkson, J. - Diddly Squat

From buying the wrong tractor (Lamborghini, since you ask . . .) to formation combine harvesting, to chasing viciously athletic cows, our hero soon learns that enthusiasm alone might not be enough.

Available in St Aidan's Library at 630 CLA (Non-Fiction)



#### David, K. - The Disconnect

An eccentric entrepreneur has challenged Esther's year group to disconnect from their phones for six weeks and win £1000. Can she do it, and have the chance to visit her dad in America?

Available in St Aidan's Library at QR DAV (Quick Reads)



# Gaiman, N. – The Graveyard Book

Nobody Owens, known to his friends as Bod, is a normal boy. He would be completely normal if he didn't live in a graveyard, raised and educated by ghosts.

Available in St Aidan's Library at Fiction BIL



# Gratz, A. - Refugee

Stories featuring Josef, a Jewish refugee fleeing WWII Germany, Isabel a Cuban girl on her way to Miami in 1994, and Mahmoud a Syrian refugee seeking asylum in Germany in 2015.

Available in St Aidan's Library at Fiction GRA



# Grisham, J. – Theodore Boone (series)

13 year-old Theo is suddenly dragged into the middle of a sensational murder trial. A cold-blooded killer is about to go free, and only Theo knows the truth. He won't stop until justice is served.

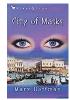
Available in St Aidan's Library at Fiction GRI



# Hiranandani, V. - The Night Diary

The Partition of India: Half-Muslim, half-Hindu twelve-year-old Nisha doesn't know where she belongs or what her country is anymore.

Available in St Aidan's Library at Fiction HIR



# Hoffman, N. - Stravaganza: City of Masks (series)

London teenager, Lucien, has leukemia. When he is given an old notebook, he finds can travel to 16<sup>th</sup> Century Talia. There he is fit and well, but gets drawn into dangerous political intrigues.

# Available in St Aidan's Library at Fiction HOF



#### Lee, H. - To Kill a Mockingbird

Through the young eyes of Scout and Jem Finch, Harper Lee explores with exuberant humour the irrationality of adult attitudes to race and class in the Deep South of the thirties.

# Available in St Aidan's Library at Fiction LEE & GR LEE (Graphic Novels)



# Lockhart, E. – We Were Liars

A beautiful and distinguished family; a private island; a brilliant, damaged girl; a passionate, political boy; a group of four friends-the Liars-whose friendship turns destructive. An accident. A secret.

# Available in St Aidan's Library at Fiction LOC



#### Nielsen, S. - No Fixed Address

Felix Knutsson is nearly thirteen, lives with his mother and pet gerbil Horatio, and is brilliant at memorising facts and trivia. But Felix and his mom Astrid have a secret: they are living in a van.

# Available in St Aidan's Library at Fiction NIE



#### Obama, M. – The Light We Carry

Michelle Obama believes that we can all lean on a set of tools to help us better navigate change and remain steady within flux.

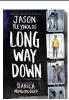
# Available in St Aidan's Library at 920 OBA (Non-Fiction)



# Palmer, T. - After the War: From Auschwitz to Ambleside

Summer 1945: Yossi, Leo and Mordecai have survived the horrors of the Nazi concentration camps. They've finally reached a place of safety and peace, where they can hopefully begin to recover.

#### Available in St Aidan's Library at QR PAL (Quick Reads)



# Reynolds, J. - Long Way Down

After Will's brother is shot in a gang crime, he knows the next steps. Don't cry. Don't snitch. Get revenge. So he gets in the lift with Shawn's gun, determined to follow The Rules.

# Available in St Aidan's Library at Fiction REY & GR REY (Graphic Novels)



# Thomas, A. - The Hate U Give

Starr lives in two worlds: the poor neighborhood where she lives and her posh high school in the suburbs. Starr is the only witness to the fatal shooting of her best friend, Khalil, by a police officer.

# Available in St Aidan's Library at Fiction THO



#### Wills, S.J. – Bite Risk

Sel Archer lives in a normal town with normal residents, except for one night a month . . . When the full moon comes out, almost all of the adults turn into werewolves ...

# Available in St Aidan's Library at Fiction WIL