**Reading over the Summer Holidays**

Read as much as you can over the holidays, even if you are staying in the UK you can read a book set in another country - or travel back in time, or into space, or to a fantasy world.  You could read a biography or a non-fiction book about a topic you are interested in.  All reading that you do is good for your educational development and also helps you to relax.  You can read a book from the school library, the public library or from home.

**If you run out of printed books to read you can use these free online sources:**

* FHSLibrary now has ebooks & audiobooks: [foresthill.eplatform.co/](https://foresthill.eplatform.co/)
* [The Book of Hopes](https://literacytrust.org.uk/family-zone/9-12/book-hopes/): 100 short stories from a wide range of top UK authors:
* [Melanie & Karl’s enchanted adventure](http://www.gorgmallia.com/assets/adventure-melanie-karl.pdf) (fantasy novel with Coronavirus themes).
* Access comics, magazines & ebooks online with a public library card: [eBooks](https://lewisham.gov.uk/myservices/libraries/elibrary)& [Online services](https://www.lewisham.gov.uk/myservices/libraries) or use the LIBBY app (your password is your year of birth).
* When you finish a book, post your review by logging into FHS Library: <https://uk.accessit.online/frs01/> search for the book title you have read, click on the cover, then on ‘post a review’ at the side (see the attachment for more details).

If you are not able to post your review (perhaps because that title is not in the school library) you can email it instead to: [library@foresthillschool.co.uk](mailto:library@foresthillschool.co.uk) using your school email address.

All reviews will gain epraise for you and a point for your House in the 2020 FHS Reading Championship - the results will be announced in September.  (The best readers / reviewers in Years 7 & 8 will also win themselves a £20 "Love to Shop" voucher.)

**A good reviewer doesn’t re-tell the story, but thinks about it. For a really great review, answer some of these questions:**

Response

* How did the book make you feel? Has the book changed your thinking, eg. about an issue?
* What aspects of the book worked well, and which didn't?
* To what extent did it fit with your expectations, or did it subvert them in some ways?

Structure

* What are the major turning points in the narrative?
* Does the world of the book work like the real world? If not, what are the differences?
* How does the story end? Is everything resolved? How? If not, why not?
* Whose point of view does the text represent?

Characters

* How would you describe the main characters? What are their goals? What problems do they face?
* What choices do the characters make? What motivates them? What are the consequences?
* What do the main characters learn about themselves, how do they change?

Style

* What styles of writing and language are used, do they / how do they convey the story?