



Dear Students and Parents,

People who read regularly open themselves to an expansive world of ideas, magic, wonder, and information that enhances every day. Because of the value we place on reading, the English Department has implemented a summer reading requirement for all students. **One** of these is assigned to all students in each grade level, 6 through 8 as indicated in the list below.

The assigned reading for each incoming grade level is:

Class	Book Title	Author	ISBN
English 6	<i>Holes</i>	Louis Sachar	ISBN-13: 978-0440414803
English 7	<i>Where the Red Fern Grows</i>	Wilson Rawls	ISBN-13: 978-0395775288
English 8	<i>Long Way Down</i>	Jason Reynolds	ISBN-13: 978-1481438254

You can purchase these books from Amazon.com OR visit one of the English Language bookshops in the center of Rome.

La Feltrinelli International  
Via Vittorio Emanuele Orlando, 86, 00185 Roma RM

Anglo American Book  
Via della Vite, 102, 00187 Roma RM

Almost Corner Bookshop  
Via del Moro, 45, 00153 Roma RM

We are encouraging all of our students to pursue readings of their choice and to read other novels during the summer vacation. Therefore, you can also find a list of useful websites that offer a range of books recommended for middle schoolers listed below:

<a href="#">Award Winning Books for Middle Schoolers</a>	<a href="#">ALA Notable Books for Children</a>	<a href="#">Historical Fiction for Middle Schoolers</a>
<a href="#">Children's Book Award Finalists</a>	<a href="#">Good Reads</a>	<a href="#">Best Graphic Novels for Middle School</a>

Have a wonderful summer and happy reading!

Sincerely,

The English Department