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Dear Parent/Carers,

As you will no doubt be aware, reading is a crucial factor in academic progress and is proven to help develop both emotional and communication skills in young people. This term, Year 7 students have been reading and studying ‘My Sister Lives on the Mantelpiece’ by Annabel Pitcher. This is the first year we have studied the text and it has been hugely successful. To maximise on the high level of engagement we have seen with this novel, we would like to inform you of other texts that may interest your child to read over the summer now we are finishing school for the year. These books are widely available in libraries or online. Any reading your child does over the summer holidays will be greatly beneficial to them in preparation for September.

Suggested titles:

*The Bubble Boy* - Stewart Foster

*All the Things That Could Go Wrong* - Stewart Foster

*Being Miss Nobody* - Tamsin Winter

*Not my Fault* - Cath Howe

*Holding up the Universe*  - Jennifer Niven

*Beautiful Broken Things* - Sarah Barnard

*Extraordinary Means* - Robin Schneider

*Boy Underwater* - Adam Baron

*Ella on the Outside* - Cath Howe

*The Hate U give* - Angie Thomas

*The Goldfish Boy* - Lisa Thompson

*The Boy at the Back of the Class* - Onjali Q Rauf

*Ketchup Clouds* - Annabel Pitcher

*The Last Days of Archie Maxwell*  - Annabel Pitcher

*Skellig* - David Almond

*The Colour of the Sun* - David Almond

*My Name is Mina* - David Almond

*Why We Broke Up* - Daniel Handler

*Everybody Jam* - Ali Lewis

*Being Billy* - Phil Earle

*When I Was Joe* - Keren David

*Artichoke Hearts* - Sita Brahmachari

*Out of Shadows*  - Jason Wallace

*Grace* - Morris Gleitzman

If your child would like any help finding books they might enjoy, our librarian, Mrs Lever, is more than happy to assist at breaks and lunchtimes in The Academy.

Yours,

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