Dear Parent

Gone are the days when one’s favourite pastime used to be reading books. Now in the age of social networking and gaming, the habit of reading books is slowly and gradually becoming obsolete. Reading not only enhances our vocabulary but also increases the attention span.

Developing a habit of reading books early in life leads to a lifelong love for books in children. It encourages the thirst for knowledge.

Reading is such a pleasurable experience and helps to prevent children from indulging in activities (such as computer games, social networking, watching TV, etc.) which lead to nil or minimum learning. In order to inculcate a habit of reading, we, at The Maurya School, are coming up with the system of Read & Reward, where any student who reads twenty age-appropriate books in a year will be recognized and rewarded. Students can read a title suggested by the school or get the book approved by their English teacher.

After completion of reading a book, the student has to undergo a small oral test conducted by his or her English/Hindi teacher to ascertain that the book has been read and understood. This circular is being given so that the students can judiciously utilize their vacation to read as many titles as possible. This year onwards, the students can read books in English and Hindi language. The suggested titles are printed overleaf. I urge parents to encourage their ward to read maximum number of books. The library will also be open on all the working days of the vacation so that the students may issue books.

Kind Regards

Shalini Bajaj
Head of the School
Suggested list of books for the students of Classes IX & X or any other book approved by the teacher.

1. Charles Dickens - A Christmas Carol
2. Daniel Defoe - Robinson Crusoe
3. H G Wells - The Time
4. Emily Bronte - Wuthering Heights
5. Agatha Christie - And Then There Were None, Murder on the Orient Express
7. Vikram Seth - A Suitable Boy, The Golden Gate
8. Arundati Roy - The God of Small Things
10. Amish Tripathi – The Shiva Trilogy
11. Alexander Dumas - The Count of Monte Cristo
12. Frances Hodgson Burnett - Little Lord Fauntelroy, The Secret Garden, A Little Princess
13. Rudyard Kipling - The Jungle Book
14. Margaret Mitchell - Gone with the Wind
15. The Wizard of Oz
16. Atlas Shrugged – Ayn Rand
17. Fountainhead – Ayn Rand
18. Roots – Alex Hailey

Note:

1. The students can read any age appropriate book for Hindi.
2. Read the unabridged versions.