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 Class VIII or any other book approved by the teacher.

1. J.K. Rowling – Harry Potter and the Sorcerer’s Stone
2. L.M. Montgomery – Anne of Green Gables and Anne of Avonlea
4. Charles Dickens – A Christmas Carol
5. Suzanne Collins - The Hunger Games
7. Jules Verne – Twenty Thousand Leagues Under the Sea and Journey to the Centre of the Earth
9. Agatha Christie - A Pocket Full of Rye
10. Arthur Conan Doyle – A Study in Scarlet
11. Sudha Murthy – How I Taught my Grandmother to Read and Other Stories
12. Frances Hodgson Burnett - Little Lord Fauntelroy
13. Frances Hodgson Burnett - The Secret Garden
14. Frances Hodgson Burnett - A Little Princess
15. Rudyard Kipling - The Jungle Book
16. The Wizard of Oz
17. Bridget Jone’s Diary
18. To kill a Mocking Bird – Harper Lee
19. The God Father by Marrio Puzo
20. Gone With the Wind - Margaret Mitchell

Note:

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