Laurus Ryecroft's Y7 Academic Book List

Humanities		
Subject	Book	
English	Coraline – Neil Gaiman Quiz No: 205839	AR √
In this gothic novel, an adventurous girl walks through a secret door in her new home. She discovers a strangely idealized version of her frustrating home, hiding sinister secrets. You'll study gothic literature in year 7 English, with the chance to have a go at penning your own.		
Spanish	With the Fire on High – Elizabeth AvecedoQuiz No: 238878	
This heartfelt novel tells the story of an aspiring teenage chef who strives to cook-up a sweeter-tasting future. It's a perfect blend of Spanish and English language, race and culture. It's also a love letter to food – something which will help your understanding of Food and Nutrition, no doubt!		
Geography	The Girl Who Speaks Bear – Sophie AndersonQuiz No: 237282	
Yanka has always felt like an outsider - found in a bear cave when she was a baby and raised by her foster mother Mamochka, she's always wondered where she came from. Derived from Russian folklore, this captivating story paints a vivid picture of Russia's diverse geography - a topic you'll study in Geography this year.		
History	Empire's End: A Roman Story - Leila Rasheed	N/A
This book tells the tale of a young North African girl who sets out on a danger-filled journey to Britain during Roman times. This is a gripping adventure that offers a new perspective into the myriad of Roman narratives you'll learn about in History this year. The story helps to develops an understanding of the Roman world as one that was full of many different cultures, religions and ethnicities.		
Beliefs and Values	The Night Bus Hero – Onjali Q. RaúfQuiz No: 239341	
In this lively, entertaining read, an unsettling encounter with a homeless man sets school bully Hector on the trail of robbers. We have chosen this book for its great lessons on behaviour and relative morality, ideas which will be useful for you to have explored in preparation for Summer term B&V.		
STEM		
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Maths	The Miscalculation of Lightning Girl - Stacy McAnulty	N/A
A lightning strike gave Lucy a super power of genius-level maths skills but even a super genius can't calculate the best path to navigate relationships and life. This novel focuses on Pi, an equation which you'll encounter on our maths department's well celebrated Pi day!		
Science The Jamie Drake Equation - Christopher Edge Quiz No: 233144		
The Drake Equation is a formula which describes how many alien civilizations, which we could possibly communicate with, exist in our Milky Way Galaxy. This book is great for science and maths enthusiasts, especially in anticipation of the 'Space' unit in physics.		
Computing	An Absolutely Remarkable Thing – Hank Green	N/A
An Absolutely Remarkable Thing grapples with big themes, including how the social internet is changing fame and how our culture deals with fear. Readers of this novel will get the chance to ponder some intriguing questions useful for B&V, such as: how do people in real life deal with things they learn about on social media?		
Food and Nutrition	The Baking Life of Amelie Day – Vanessa CurtisQuiz No: 227772	
Amelie Day is a keen baker with hopes of taking her talent further. Unfortunately, her dreams are hampered by Cystic Fibrosis, a disease which affects her lungs and digestive system. This delicious book is not just recipes which you could try at home - it's also a great head start for summer term biology, where you'll learn about how the digestive system works.		
Arts		
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Performing Arts	Hannah in the Spotlight - Natasha Mac a'BháirdQuiz No: 231673	
Hannah decides to form a new drama club. It's a more exciting way of spending the summer than as an unpaid babysitter to her younger siblings! But then Hannah finds herself torn between the club and big-sister duty, and Meg has secrets she's not sharing.		
Creative Design	Wonder - Beatrice Blue	N/A
There's a lot to see in this book. Beatrice talks informatively about her inspiration, how she makes her own paint, digital vs traditional art, and her creative process. It's a very cosy and comforting read which will have you reaching for Creative Design resources!		
Music	Amina's Voice - Hena KhanQuiz No: 240043	
Amina can sing and play piano beautifully. Knowing that Amina has stage fright, her music teacher asks Amina if she will play the piano for an upcoming school talent show. This is an essential read for those wanting to build confidence in Music or Performing Arts.		
P.E.	Ghost – Jason ReynoldsQuiz No: 236059	
Castle Crenshaw (Ghost) and four friends learn to navigate their lives and the differences among them. Ghost shows incredible natural talent with very few resources. Three years ago, Ghost's dad chased him and his mum down the road with a gun. His dad got ten years in prison, and Ghost learned how to run. The major themes of this realistic and heart-warming book include facing your fears and overcoming major obstacles.		