

Sacred Heart School
Summer Reading – Rising 8th Graders
2019-2020

The more you read, the more things you will know.
The more that you learn, the more places you will go.
~ Dr. Seuss~

Incoming eighth graders have one of two novels to choose from:

And Then There Were None* by Agatha Christie

Ten people are summoned to an island home off the coast of Devon, England in the early 1900s. Once they arrive, they discover there is no host present and one by one the guests begin to be murdered. There is no way off the island and they desperately are trying to figure out who the killer is before it is too late. This book is also published as *Ten Little Indians*.

OR

***Wolf Hollow* by Lauren Wolk**

Growing up in the shadows cast by two world wars, Annabelle has lived a mostly quiet, steady life in her small Pennsylvania town. Until the day new student Betty Glengarry walks into her class. Betty quickly reveals herself to be cruel and manipulative, and while her bullying seems isolated at first, things quickly escalate, and reclusive World War I veteran Toby becomes a target of her attacks. While others have always seen Toby's strangeness, Annabelle knows only kindness. She will soon need to find the courage to stand as a lone voice of justice as tensions mount.**

Assignment

After reading the novel, fill in the graphic organizer and bring to class the first day of school. You will use the completed organizer to complete a written assignment in class.

*Nancy Keane Book Talks http://nancykeane.com/booktalks/Christie_and.htm

**Penguin Random House Publishers

TURN OVER

In addition to the choice from the previous page, ALL incoming eighth graders will read the following:

THE HARD HAT: 21 WAYS TO BE A GREAT TEAMMATE by Jon Gordon*

From the moment Jon Gordon heard about George Boiardi and the Hard Hat he was intrigued and captivated. Over the years he visited George's coaches, attended several "21 Dinners" held in his honor, met his family, talked to his teammates and observed how he inspired all who knew him.

The Hard Hat is an unforgettable true story about a selfless, loyal, joyful, hard-working, competitive, and compassionate leader and teammate, the impact he had on his team and program and the lessons we can learn from him.

**(Booktalk from www.goodreads.com)*

Assignment

Be prepared to share your understanding of this story in a class-wide discussion with Mrs. Morin Bailey.