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Dear Parent / Carer

Term 3 updates:

We have finally come to the end of a highly unusual, very intense term, and hope that you will all be able to have a safe and healthy break for the next week. Although these phrases are used very regularly now, this has certainly been a term 'like no other'. We have never had to be so creative, so innovative or so swift in our thinking and planning, but the results have been some spectacular work from our students both on site and at home, and a real feeling that it is possible to create an effective online school with great remote learning taking place every day, until we can all be back on site together.

A huge thank you and well done to all our students and parents/carers for their efforts and enthusiasm during term 3!

And just before we finish for the holiday, an update about our Seahaven literacy strategy from Ms Kavanagh:

Whole School Reading Programme

In Term 4 we're planning to continue with our tutor reading programme through lockdown. As well as enjoying a story, regularly practising reading helps us improve; this has a positive impact on all our subjects. Links to the books being read aloud and followed visually will then also be shared in tutor time in Term 4 to give students the chance to start the day with a good story.

If you want to get ahead with the reading, the books we have chosen for each year group are as follows (several of these have audio/ visual versions available on Youtube):

Year 7: The House with the Chicken Legs

Marinka dreams of a normal life, where her house stays in one place long enough for her to make friends. But her house has chicken legs and moves on without warning. For Marinka's grandmother is Baba Yaga, who guides spirits between this world and the next. Marinka longs to change her destiny and sets out to break free from her grandmother's footsteps, but her house has other ideas...

Year 8: The Graveyard Book

Nobody Owens, known to his friends as Bod, is a perfectly normal boy. Well, he would be perfectly normal if he didn't live in a graveyard, being raised and educated by ghosts, with a solitary guardian who belongs to neither the world of the living nor the world of the dead.

Year 9: More Than This

More Than This follows a teenage boy named Seth who, after drowning in the ocean, wakes up alone on a desolate suburban English street in what he believes to be hell.



Principal Sarah Pringle

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Year 10 The Orange Boy

Sixteen-year-old Marlon has made his mum a promise - he'll never follow his big brother, Andre, down the wrong path. So far, it's been easy, but when a date ends in tragedy, Marlon finds himself hunted. They're after the mysterious Mr Orange, and they're going to use Marlon to get to him.

Marlon's out of choices - can he become the person he never wanted to.

Yours sincerely

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