



# ST PIRAN'S

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## Upper School

### SUMMER RECOMMENDED READING

Dear Parents,

In preparation for the Year 6 English lessons in the Christmas Term, all pupils, in all sets, are expected to have read **WarHorse** by Michael Morpurgo over the summer holidays.

Reading is fundamental to the development of children and countless research shows the links between good reading skills from an early age and future success in life. However, finding books children want to read or authors that excite them, can be difficult; the choice is daunting and guidance rather thin on the ground.

So, **War Game** by Michael Foreman, (historical stories), **Northern Lights** and **Clockwork** by Phillip Pullman (significant authors) are also recommended for pupils to read during the Christmas Term. Also, **Private Peaceful** by Michael Morpurgo is a rich and exciting text for a mature and avid reader.



Enter **Dragonfly's 2017 Short Story 500 Word Competition** now and be in with a chance of winning £50 book vouchers for yourself and £100 book vouchers for your school.

The story theme for this year is **MAPS**, so let your imagination run wild! Entry is free and the deadline is 31<sup>st</sup> July 2017. The age categories are: 4-7 years old, 8-11 years old and 12-15 years old.

The star judges are the fabulous Hugless Dougless creator David Melling and the writer and broadcaster Floella Benjamin. The lucky winners will be invited to a special prize giving ceremony in October at the Henley Literary Festival.

You can enter the competition by visiting <https://dragonflytea.com/>

Good luck!

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