AP Summer Reading Pre-Approved Book List:

You will read one of these books over the summer. If you would like, you may read a book from this list for the Big Read. You may select a book that is not on this list, with Mr. Dolan’s approval. After reading your book you will write a 500 word book report. You are responsible for finding a copy of your chosen book. Many books are available for free in the Woodside High School Library or in Mr. Dolan’s classroom. Other books can be found in other libraries or online.

To receive full credit your book report must:

1. Clearly explain what you think is the author’s main point (what is the main message that they are trying to communicate to you).
2. Clearly explain why you think that it is the author’s main point (What proof do you have that the main point you identified is actually what the author was hoping to communicate?).
3. Include at least three relevant quotes from the text of the book (These quotes should help to support your argument that the author’s main point is in fact the main point they were trying to make).
4. Each quote must be followed by the page number that the quote is taken from (This is a basic form of an “in-text citation”).
5. Be at least 500 words long and clearly written.

Due Date: First Day of School.

Labels:

“Library” – This book is available in the Woodside High School Library (The library frequently adds new books to their collection. Always check the library catalogue).

“Mr. Dolan’s Classroom” – This book is on the shelf in Mr. Dolan’s classroom. Check with Mr. Dolan.

David Abulafia  
Great sea, The: a human history of the Mediterranean, Library

Amir D. Aczel  
Riddle of the Compass, The: The Invention That Changed the World, Mr. Dolan’s Classroom

Susan Campbell Bartoletti  
Hitler Youth: Growing up in Hitler's Shadow, Mr. Dolan’s Classroom

C.A. Bayly  
The Birth of the Modern World 1780 - 1914

Simone de Beauvoir  
The Mandarins

Simone de Beauvoir  
The Second Sex

Tim Blanning  
The Pursuit of Glory: The Five Revolutions that Made Modern Europe: 1648-1815

Daniel James Brown  
Boys in the Boat, The: Nine Americans and Their Epic Quest for Gold at the 1936 Berlin Olympics, Mr. Dolan’s Classroom

Bill Bryson  
At home: A Short History of Private Life, Heavy, Library

Bill Bryson  
Seeing further: the story of science discovery and the genius of the Royal Society, Library

Alan Bullock  
Hitler: A Study in Tyranny, Library

Alan Bullock  
Hitler and Stalin: Parallel Lives

JC Carleson  
Tyrant's Daughter, The

Mike Davis  
Late Victorian Holocausets: El Nino Famines and the Making of the Third World, Library

Charles Dickens  
A Tale of Two Cities, Library

Richard Evans  
The Pursuit of Power: Europe 1815-1914, Heavy

Niall Ferguson  
Ascent of Money, The, Library

Candace Fleming  
Family Romanov Murder, Rebellion, and the Fall of Imperial Russia

Aminatta Forna  
Devil that danced on the water, The: a daughter's quest, Library

John Fraser  
Chinese, The: Portrait of a People, Mr. Dolan’s Classroom

Michael Freemantle  
Chemists’ War, The: 1914-1918

Malcolm Gaskill  
Between Two Worlds: How the English Became Americans

Eugene D. Genovese  
Roll, Jordan, Roll: The World the Slaves Made

Masha Gessen  
Man without a face, The: the unlikely rise of Vladimir Putin, Library

Anand Giridharadas  
India calling: an intimate portrait of a nation's remaking, Library

Edward L Glaeser  
Triumph of the city: how our greatest invention makes us richer, smarter, greener, healthier and happier, Library

Alan Hart  
Arafat, Mr. Dolan’s Classroom

Adolf Hitler  
Mein Kampf, Library

Thomas Hobbes  
Leviathan

Henry Hobhouse  
Seeds of Wealth: Four Plants that Made Men Rich, Library
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