Summer reading 2024 for pupils going into Seconde Européenne

If you wish to progress in English you must get into the habit of reading regularly: articles, short stories, novels and so on. **We would like you to read the following book over the summer.** You can read the novel online or on kindle, you may have a quiz on the novel in class.

COMPULSORY READING: Messy Roots by Laura Gao

Book Review – Your teacher will prepare a test on the novel in September to make sure that you've read the novel (themes, symbols, discussion topics, characters etc.).

Other READING ideas if you want to improve your English.

The Time Traveler's Wife by Audrey Niffenegger

The story follows Henry DeTamble, a Chicago librarian with a paranormal genetic disorder that causes him to randomly time travel as he tries to build a romantic relationship with Clare Abshire, who would become his wife.

Girl, Missing by Sophie McKenzie

Lauren has always known she was adopted but when a little research turns up the possibility that she was snatched from an American family as a baby, suddenly Lauren's life seems like a sham. How can she find her biological parents? And are her adoptive parents really responsible for kidnapping her?

The Fault in Our Stars, by John Green

Despite the tumour-shrinking medical miracle that has bought her a few more years, Hazel has never been anything but terminal, her final chapter inscribed upon diagnosis. But when a gorgeous plot twist named Augustus Waters suddenly appears at the Cancer Kid Support Group, Hazel's story is about to be completely rewritten.

The Catcher in the Rye by J.D. Salinger

With the author's death, the classic novel about young Holden Caulfield's disillusionment with the adult world and its "phoniness" will only rise in popularity — and controversy, since it is a favourite target of censors, who often cite profanity and sexual references in their efforts to ban the book.