



## NEWS FROM THE SENIOR IRC

### Stocktake 2018

Borrowing for 2018 has now finished. Students in Years 7 to 11 need to return all of their Library loans no later than **Friday 9th November**. Any students who require a list of their loans need to speak to Mrs Comiskey or Mr Smith.

### Year 12 2018 sign out

Before signing out Year 12 students need to return all of their Library loans. Students who have lost or return damaged resources will be invoiced for a replacement copy. Any students who require a list of their loans need to speak to Mrs Comiskey or Mr Smith.

### **IRC on Canvas**

The senior IRC has recently launched its canvas page. As well as providing information on the latest Library news and competitions, students will also have access to HSC and career resources, Year 11 and 12 subject guides, a library catalogue guide as well as help with the Dewey Decimal System. Research hints and tips and bibliography help guides are also available. Lots of great resources are to be found on the IRC Canvas page!

For more information please speak to Mr Smith or Mrs Comiskey.

### **What's new on the shelf?**

*A beautiful tale of growing and learning but also illness and loss has just arrived in the IRC!*

#### **Lenny's Book of Everything - Karen Foxlee**

*"Lenny, small and sharp, has a younger brother Davey who won't stop growing - and at seven is as tall as a man. Raised by their single mother, who works two jobs and is made almost entirely out of worries, they have food and a roof over their heads, but not much else. The bright spot every week is the arrival of the latest issue of Burrell's Build-It-at-Home Encyclopedia. Through the encyclopedia, Lenny and Davey experience the wonders of the world - beetles, birds, quasars, quartz - and dream about a life of freedom and adventure, visiting places like Saskatchewan and Yellowknife, and the gleaming lakes of the Northwest Territories. But as her brother's health deteriorates, Lenny comes to accept the inevitable truth; Davey will never make it to Great Bear Lake."*

**'Lenny's Book of Everything'** written by award winning Australian author Karen Foxlee is a wonderful story that is both sad and also uplifting at the same time. Told over a number of years this novel follows the lives of two children, Lenny and his younger brother Davey who suffers from a rare illness that causes him to continually grow. Through the eyes of these children readers get to experience the wonders of growing up and the excitement of learning new things, as well as the hardships of living with a loved one who is ill, the struggles and the pain that can occur not only to the person themselves but also their family around them.

Author Karen Foxlee has created a story that all readers young and old should experience. This is an inspirational story that will stay with you for a long time. Beautifully written, moving and engaging this is a book readers will not want to end. **'Lenny's Book of Everything'** is a fantastic book that needs to be on everyone's to-read list.

For this and other great new novels make sure you check out the IRC's new book stand!

#### **Mrs Annette Comiskey & Mr Michael Smith**

Senior IRC Library Team

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