



## NEWS FROM THE SENIOR IRC

Term 3 Competition: Marvel vs DC

The students of Thomas Hassall Anglican College have spoken and the result is... **a DRAW!** Both Marvel and DC have finished with the same number of votes. The students believe both universes are as good as each other. Three entries have been randomly selected for a prize. The lucky winners are **Evelyn K** (Year 10), **Charles K** (Year 7) and **Rabieh K** (Year 7). Each student has won

a book of their choice. The IRC would like to thank all students who participated in this competition.

### **Book in the Jars Competition**

The Book in the Jars Competition is now over for another year. There were many great entries this year. Students with winning entries will be contacted by the Library. The IRC would like to thank all the students who participated in this competition.

### **Book Bites**

*Take a book bite to see if it is to your taste*

#### **The Unlisted - Justine Flynn, Chris Kunz**

*"There's nothing Dru Sharma fears more than the dentist. So when his school runs a compulsory dental check, he convinces his identical twin, Kal, to take his spot. What Dru and Kal don't realise is the check-up has been initiated by a mysterious organisation called Infinity Group that are interested in more than the students' dental health. Infinity aims to control the hearts, minds and bodies of the world's youth. It isn't long before Kal and the other students start developing super strength, while the kids who resisted the procedure start to go missing. With Dru 'Unlisted' and outside of Infinity Group's control, it's a race against time to uncover the truth of the operation. Dru and Kal - with the help of a group of underground vigilante teens - will have to do whatever they can to stop Infinity Group before it's too late."*

'**The Unlisted**' is the first novel in an exciting new Australian science fiction series. Suspenseful, engaging and action packed, this is a novel that will delight fans of the 'Divergent' or 'Hunger Games' series. Before you watch the television version on the ABC, make sure you see where it all began. A wonderful book.

#### **Hasina - Michelle Aung Thin**

*"The soldiers come at night. The first Hasina knows of it is her aunt's voice, urgent, full of fear. 'Up, up. Get up!' The second thing is smoke. Then, there is a scream. 'Run,' her father shouts. 'And don't stop!' Hasina races deep into the Rakhine forest to hide with her cousin Ghadiya and her little brother Araf. When they emerge some days later, it is to a silent, smouldering village. Her own house is still standing, but where is the rest of her family? Perhaps they have been gathered up and taken away by the army...or worse. So many Rohingyas are gone, how will she survive? Will her parents return? Hasina must fight to save her family amid the escalating conflict that threatens her world and her identity."*

'**Hasina**' is the gripping story of one young child's experience of religious persecution in Myanmar. Realistic and moving, this novel highlights and brings attention to the plight of a group of people facing terrible fear and suffering. Filled with tension and drama but also hope and courage, it's an inspirational story of overcoming hardships and opposition. The latest in the 'Through my eyes' series, '**Hasina**' is a novel that will stay with readers long after the final page.

#### **Take the shot - Susan White**

*"Bug has a secret. Actually he has lots of secrets. Number one: he's formed a basketball team at his new school based on a giant lie. Number two: his parents don't know he's playing basketball again. Number three: his new team mates have no idea he isn't allowed to play and they definitely don't know why. Bug will do anything to keep his secrets, keep his new team and keep his life from falling apart. Because no one can know the biggest secret of all...Bug risks his life every time he steps onto the basketball court."*

'**Take the shot**' is a heartfelt story of one young boy's mission to not let a newly diagnosed illness stop him from living his life the way he wants. Deeply moving and emotional, this wonderful novel will have readers hooked from the very first page. A story about family, basketball, illness and wanting to belong. A great sport novel with a difference.

### **Overdue notices**

Overdue notices have been sent out. If any students require a printed list of their loans please speak to Mrs Comiskey or Mr Smith.

Students who do not return their books after receiving their third notice as well as an email will be invoiced for a replacement copy.

Please remember that all invoices will still stand if books are returned after this final date.

Students who still have Library AV equipment need to return these items as soon as possible.

If you have any problems or questions regarding overdue books please speak to Mrs Comiskey or Mr Smith who will be happy to help.

### **Best wishes from the IRC**

Both Mrs Comiskey and Mr Smith would wish all students a happy, restful and enjoyable school holidays.

**Mrs Annette Comiskey & Mr Michael Smith**

Senior IRC Library Team

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