

Our ref: KAN/mhn/off/Yr8/StudentReader

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Dear Parents and Carers

Re: The Whale Rider: Student Reader

This term all students in Year 8 will be studying a novel in English as part of the curriculum. To enable all students to make their own annotations and to complete independent reading at home, we would like to encourage students to purchase their own copy of the set text should they wish to. Although any copy of the text will be acceptable for use in lessons, we are recommending the copy below for purchase. Second hand versions are also available online at a reduced cost.

'The Whale Rider' by Witi Ihimaera

ISBN-13- 978-0241669983

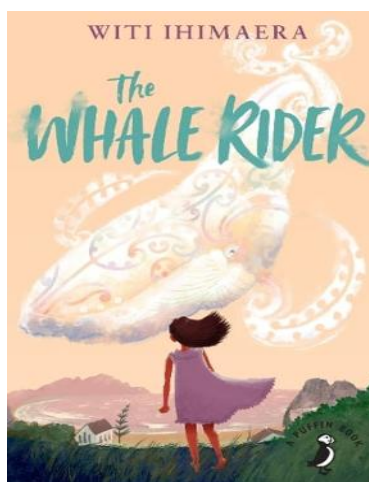
We would like students to purchase their copy of 'The Whale Rider' as soon as possible, so that they can begin bringing this into school for their English lessons. Please note that this is a voluntary request and no student will be disadvantaged if they do not have their own copy.

There will be some copies available in school, if needed (although understandably students will not be able to retain these copies or make their own annotations).

Yours sincerely

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