

## Summer Reading 2017

Mrs. Butler

### Grade 7 English

You will be required to read the following:

*I Will Always Write Back: How One Letter Changed Two Lives* by Caitlin Alifirenka and Martin Ganda

#### **Please note:**

Outside resources of any sort **should not be used** to supplement **your** reading or to aid in the completion of these assignments.

Work is due on the first day of classes (not orientation day).

You will need to bring your books.

#### **Please complete the following:**

1. Introducing yourself to a pen pal can sometimes be a difficult task. What would you want to say about yourself? What would you like them to know about your life, your family, your education, your hometown, your hobbies, your likes/dislikes? Pretend that you are writing to a new pen pal and introduce yourself to me in a letter. This may be handwritten and should be a minimum length of one full notebook page. Mail this letter in an envelope written and addressed by you no later than August 15 to:

Mrs. Susan Butler  
Notre Dame Academy  
425 Salisbury St.  
Worcester, MA 01609

2. You will find a Discussion Guide in the back of your book. Choose five of the questions to answer. You should be sure to include some questions from the beginning, middle, and end of the book. Your answers should be typed (12 font) and approximately 3-5 sentences in length for each answer. Please include the question number and a reprint of the question before your answer. Below each answer, write a quote from the book that you believe supports your answer. Be sure to note the page number of your quote.

3. \*\*Bonus – not required.

**With the permission of your parents/guardians**, perform a charitable act of kindness (this may be a simple act). Write one typed paragraph about the experience, about how it made you feel, and about the impact (or not!) that your act had on others.

**Supplies you will need for class:**

1 ½” three ring binder

Loose leaf paper

4 tab dividers

Pens/pencils/highlighters

\*optional one box of tissues for the room

You may reach me for any questions at [sbutler@nda-worc.org](mailto:sbutler@nda-worc.org)