Exams’ Week Refuel

The week of exams here at MUS can be stressful. As a way to get you going in the morning, come by the library before your exam for Dunkin’ Donuts coffee or hot chocolate and a free pastry. U Kin’ Do It, and we can help.

Book Clubs

The Dystopia Book Club will meet Tues. Jan. 12 in the Loeb Room during Upper School lunch. Their selection is The Road by McCarthy with Brave New World as the alternate/additional book.

The Finer Things Book Club is reading Nick Hornby’s High Fidelity and meets Thurs. Jan. 28 in Elizabeth Crosby’s room (109) during OP.

The LS book club is reading Collins’s The Hunger Games and Pratchett’s The Color of Magic over the break and will meet Fri. Jan. 22 in the Loeb Room during Lower School lunch.

The Graphic Novels Book Club selections are Scott Pilgrim Vol.1: Scott Pilgrim’s Precious Little Life by Bryan Lee O’Malley and The Invention of Hugo Cabret by Brian Selznick. They will meet Fri., Jan.15, in Spencer Reese’s Office, LS103, during OP.

The Faculty Book Club is led by Lin Askew and will meet at a time TBA after reading Nick Hornby’s lastest, Juliet, Naked. Email Mr. Askew if you would like to join.
Teen Read Week

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New Books

Is It Still Cheating If I Don’t Get Caught? by Bruce Weinstein
Whether it’s about the use of the internet—like downloading music or copying papers—or sports, friendship, family and school, teenagers often want to know: What’s the right thing to do? With five simple and clear ethical principles as a foundation, and plenty of out-of-real-life dilemmas as examples, Dr. Weinstein offers answers with a useful and reliable approach.

Strokes of Genius by Jon Wertheim.
In the 2008 Wimbledon men’s final, five-time champion Roger Federer was on track to take his rightful place as the most dominant player in the history of the game, but Rafael Nadal prevailed in five sets. In the tradition of John McPhee’s classic Levels of the Game, Strokes of Genius deconstructs this defining moment.

Crocodile Tears by Anthony Horowitz
A charity broker/con artist raises millions of dollars in donations and invests them in a form of genetically modified corn that can release an airborne virus so powerful it could knock out an entire country. But Alex Rider will face whatever it takes -- gunfire, explosions, hand-to-hand combat with mercenaries -- to bring down his most dangerous adversary yet.

The Gold Standard by Mike Krzyzewski
The inside story of how Coach K was able to lead Team USA to the gold medal in the 2008 Olympics in Beijing.

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