

# BISHOP



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Dear Parent/Carer,

### **Years 7 and 8 Junior Book Club**

The English Faculty would like to invite all students in Years 7 and 8 to join our Junior Book Club.

To celebrate Black History Month this October, we will be reading *Ghost Boys* by Jewell Parker Rhodes

#### *The Blurb:*

*A heart breaking and powerful story about a black boy killed by a white police officer, drawing connections with real-life history, from award-winning author Jewell Parker Rhodes.*

#### *ALIVE*

*Twelve-year-old Jerome doesn't get into trouble. He goes to school. He does his homework. He takes care of his little sister. Then Jerome is shot by a police officer who mistakes his toy gun for a real threat.*

#### *DEAD*

*As a ghost, watching his family trying to cope with his death, Jerome begins to notice other ghost boys.*

*Each boy has a story and they all have something in common...*

*Bit by bit, Jerome begins to understand what really happened - not just to him, but to all of the ghost boys.*

The book club will meet online via Teams and in person. We will meet to discuss the book in full after half term which should give students plenty of time to read the whole book.

We are offering the chance to purchase a copy of *Ghost Boys* at the school price of £6.09, through ParentPay. If you would like to order a copy, payments should be made by no later than Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October so the order can be placed.

Should you have any queries regarding payment, please email Mrs Hagon at [parentpay@bishopramsey.school](mailto:parentpay@bishopramsey.school)

If your child already has a copy of the book and would like to take part in the Book Club or for further questions, please contact me, [ecannon@bishopramsey.school](mailto:ecannon@bishopramsey.school)

Yours sincerely,

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