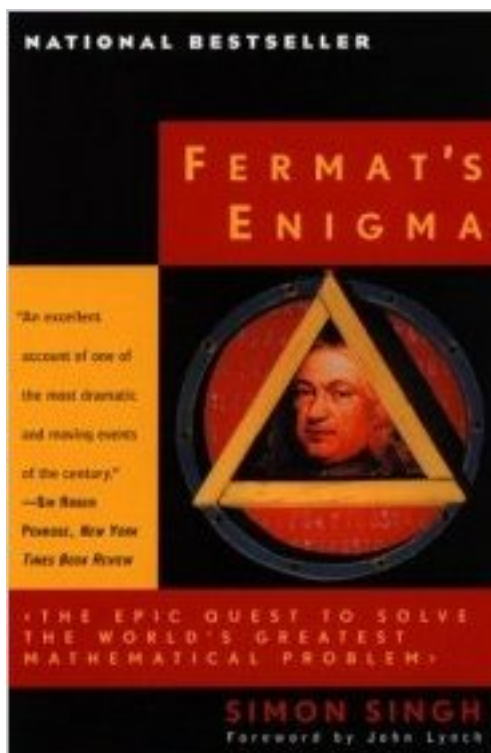


MAMS Math - Juniors Summer Reading 2018

Fermat's Enigma - Simon Singh

A national best-seller traces the quest of scientists around the world to solve the theorem devised by seventeenth-century French mathematician Pierre de Fermat, a story of extraordinary human emotion, ambition, and desperation.



Perhaps I could best describe my experience of doing mathematics in terms of entering a dark mansion. One goes into the first room, and it's dark, completely dark. One stumbles around bumping into the furniture, and gradually, you learn where each piece of furniture is, and finally, after six months or so, you find the light switch. You turn it on, and suddenly, it's all illuminated. You can see exactly where you were.

~ Andrew Wiles

Junior Summer Assignment:

Record notes for each chapter in a journal for *Fermat's Enigma*. Your journal can be word-processed or presented as a picture book. Creativity is highly encouraged. **Due August 15, 2018.**