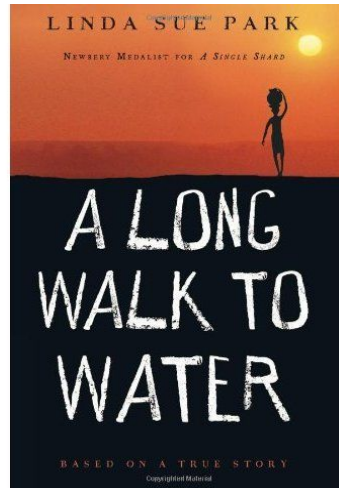


## ***H2O for Life: Service Learning Opportunity***

H2O for Life is a one-of-a-kind transformational service-learning project to help our students learn about the global water crisis. We chose to partner with South Sudan School-3 as our first step towards implementation of this plan. Students will be reading the book, “***A Long Walk to Water***” in their advisory class, and discussing the many challenges facing students in South Sudan who have no access to water.



### **SYNOPSIS:**

Based on a true story, *A Long Walk to Water* is the compelling and inspiring account of two young Sudanese people caught in the midst of war, drought and famine. Written by Newbery medallist Linda Sue Park, this story unfolds through the dual narrative of Nya, a girl living in a small village and Salva, a boy running for his life during the savage Sudanese Civil War. As an eleven-year-old, Salva Dut is forced to flee his home as bombs and soldiers tear through his village. Separated from his family and believing they have been killed, he flees war-torn Sudan to seek refuge in Ethiopia and Kenya. Nya is a fictional character created by Linda Sue Park to complement the story of Salva and her story has a contemporary setting. Nya walks daily for several hours from her village to the pond to fetch water for her family. She only has time to stop for a quick meal before repeating this journey. She does this every single day for seven months of the year. This mesmerising dual narrative by award-winning author Linda Sue Park is a fictionalised account of true events and shows us that in a troubled country, determined survivors may find the future they are hoping for.

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