



Dear Parents and Students,

Summer vacation is a great time to kick back and relax with a good book. Reading is an activity that can be done anywhere-- in the car, plane, rocking in a hammock, or sunning at the beach. Each student will read 2 books. Please note the grade level requirements.

Incoming sixth graders- Select two titles from the following list:

K. DiCamillo: *The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane*; *The Tale of Despereaux*

C. S. Lewis: *The Chronicles of Narnia* (series)

E. B. White: *Charlotte's Web*

R. Riordan: *Percy Jackson*; *Trials of Apollo*; *Magnus Chase*; *The Kane Chronicles* (series)

M. Christopher: *The Kid Who Only Hit Homers* (or any title by the author)

G. Korman: *Masterminds*

Incoming seventh graders- Select two titles from the following list:

Under the Same Sky by Cynthia DeFelice

Lost in the Sun by Lisa Graff

Belly Up (and other FunJungle titles in the series) by Stuart Gibbs

Escaping the Giant Wave by Peg Kehret

The Watsons Go to Birmingham- 1963 by Christopher Paul Curtis

Michael Vey (multiple titles in the series) by Richard Paul Evans

Incoming eighth graders- Choose one book based on personal interest from your library or bookstore. In other words, one book is whatever YOU want it to be. Then, select one true-story title from the following list:

The Diary of a Young Girl by Anne Frank

Piece by Piece by David Aguilar and Ferran Aguilar *make sure you select this author!*

The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind by William Kamkwamba and Bryan Mealer

Undefeated: Jim Thorpe and the Carlisle Indian Football Team by Steve Sheinkin

Once a book is read, your child is asked to complete the book report form either by writing directly on it or by typing it into a Google Docs and printing it. A copy of the form is available on the St. Rita School website and may be downloaded at home. Book reports will be collected during the first week of school and count as the first literature grade of the year.

Enjoy your summer, and happy reading!

Mrs. Rourke and Miss Long