



Summer Reading

Rising 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th Graders

Everyone is a reader... some just haven't found their favorite book yet.

Summer is a great time for reading! Enjoy investigating your interests and passions this summer through reading a variety of self-chosen books. Read, wonder, question and make connections. We look forward to hearing about your reading adventures when you return in September. Please note that all required work is outlined below and should be completed by Monday, September 10.

Extension Work: Summer reading Google Classroom pages have been set up for each book to extend learning and bring the books to life. This work is optional, but will add to the reading experience this summer.

<http://classroom.google.com>

Login: your Far Hills email

5th grade access code for Google Classroom: ldpl5wd

6th grade access code for Google Classroom: pclulc

7th grade access code for Google Classroom: icp1ow

8th grade access code for Google Classroom: ahkisz

REQUIREMENTS:

1. You are required to read the book assigned to your grade. Read this book and make note of interesting ideas and questions you want to share with your classmates when you return. You can keep post-its in the book or some notes on a separate sheet of paper.
 - a. **Rising 5th Grade: Absolutely Almost by Lisa Graff**
 - b. **Rising 6th Grade: A Mango Shaped Space by Wendy Mass**
 - c. **Rising 7th Grade: Echo by Pam Munoz Ryan**
 - d. **Rising 8th Grade: I am Malala by Malala Yousafzai**

1. In addition to the assigned class book, pick one book from the list provided. Read it, write a short paragraph about the book and whether or not you would recommend this book to a classmate. Make sure your paragraph includes:
 - a. A topic sentence (Be sure to mention the book title and author.)
 - b. A brief summary
 - i. Who is the main character?
 - ii. What is the main character's problem?
 - iii. Where does the book take place?
 - c. Your decision to recommend the book or not
 - d. Your reasoning for your decision
 - e. A conclusion sentence

2. Please use the attached log to record what you read this summer. Be sure to supplement your reading of fiction with reading from other sources (newspapers, magazines, nonfiction and poetry). Record these on your log as well as the books you read.

Book List 5th and 6th

Where the Red Fern Grows - Wilson Rawls

Mr. Lemoncello's Library - (any from the series) Chris Grabenstein

Little Women - Louisa May Alcott

Tuck Everlasting - Natalie Babbitt

Catherine, Called Birdy - Karen Cushman

Hoop - Walter Dean Myers

Stargirl - Jerry Spinelli

Brian's Winter - Gary Paulsen

Matched - Ally Condie

Wonder - RJ Palacio

When You Reach Me - Rebecca Stead

Among the Hidden - Margaret Peterson Haddix

A Mango-Shaped Space - Wendy Mass

A Week in the Woods - Andrew Clement

Fish in a Tree - Lynda Mullaly Hunt

The War that Saved My Life - Kimberly Brubaker Bradley

Twerp - Mark Goldbatt

Out of My Mind - Sharon Draper

Smile - Raina Telegemeier

The Mysterious Benedict Society - Trenton Lee Stewart

Ms. Bixby's Last Day - John David Anderson

Raymie Nightingale - Kate DiCamillo

Book List 7th and 8th

The Hobbit - JRR Tolkien

The Golden Compass - Philip Pullman

Mockingbird - Kathryn Erskine

90 Miles to Havana - Enrique Flores Galbis

House of Secrets - Chris Columbus

The War that Saved My Life - Kimberly Brubaker Bradley

The Crossover - Kwame Alexander

Little Women - Louisa May Alcott

The Outsiders - SE Hinton

The Wednesday Wars - Gary D. Schmidt

Ghost - Jason Reynolds

The Lions of Little Rock - Kristen Levine

A Night Divided - Jennifer Nielsen

Powerless - Matthew Cody

Screaming at the Ump - Audrey Vernick

The Schwa was Here - Neal Shusterman

Inside Out & Back Again - Thanhha Lai

Brown Girl Dreaming - Jacqueline Woodson

Trash - Andy Mulligan

Life as We Knew It - Marybeth Pfeffer

The Girl Who Drank the Moon - Kelly Barnhill

