

SUMMER READING PROGRAM-Incoming Grade 8

Participation in the Summer Reading Program is mandatory for all students entering grades 1 through 8.

Care has been taken to ensure that the expectations for each grade level are appropriate for students entering that grade. I have chosen a variety of books to appeal to different reading tastes, while providing literary value.

Please assist you child in the selection of reading. My requirements for the reporting procedure are listed below. There are three books in total.

Have fun reading!

1. Mandatory reading for everyone:

The Boy in the Striped Pajamas by John Boyle

Activity Choices for “The Boy in the Striped Pajamas”: CHOOSE ONE (a or b)

a). Character Interview: Write ten questions that will give a character of your choice the opportunity to discuss his/her thoughts and feelings about his/her role in the story. However you choose to present your interview is up to you. You must have ten questions as well as possible answers. No silly questions, please (How old are you? Where do you live? etc.)

b). Create a Newspaper for your Book: Create a newspaper for “The Boy in the Striped Pajamas”. Summarize the plot in one article; cover the weather in another, and do a feature story on one of the more interesting characters in another. Include an editorial and a collection of ads that would be pertinent to the story and time period.

2. Mandatory reading for everyone:

St. Thomas More of London by Elizabeth M. Ince

Activity Choice for “St. Thomas More of London”: Traditional Book Report Forms

3. Choose one of the following books:

And Then There Were None by Agatha Christie

Things Not Seen by Andrew Clements

The Hobbit by J.R.R. Tolkien

The Crossover by Kwame Alexander

Out of My Mind by Sharon M. Draper

Unbroken (The Young Adult Adaptation) by Lauren Hillenbrand

(Please do not read the original version of this book. This book was republished and abridged so that the youth could have access to it. The original version is meant for an adult audience.)

I Am Malala by Malala Yousafzai

Up from the Sea by Leza Lowitz

Activity for book chosen: Traditional Book Report Forms