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SUMMER READING PACKET

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INCOMING FIFTH GRADE

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Dear Parents,

It is hard to believe that summer vacation is just around the corner. Everyone seems to be dreaming of long summer evenings free of homework and studying.

However, studies have shown that students experience learning losses during the summer if reading is not done. The key to success is to practice reading. Children who read over the summer become better readers, find reading more enjoyable, improve reading abilities, and gain important life skills. Reading is not a skill that ends when a student's school career ends, but is a skill that lasts a lifetime.

Therefore, students entering fifth grade are required to read three (3) books over summer vacation. These books can be found at any library or book store.

- The one (1) **required book** is listed below and the handouts are included. Please follow the directions for this requirement.
THE REQUIRED READING BOOK: Frindle by Andrew Clements
- The additional two (2) books can be chosen from the attached list. Students are required to complete a book report for these two books.
- The book report form is included and should have all the relevant information completed in cursive handwriting. You may use the back of the sheets if necessary.

Completed work must be brought in on the first day of school.

Thank you for your time and HAVE FUN READING!!!!

Sincerely,

Miss Troiano

Miss Troiano
Reading/ELA Teacher ~ Grade 5





Summer Reading

Incoming Fifth Grade

Surviving the AppleWhites	(Stephanie S. Tolan)
The Penderwicks	(Jeanne Birdsall)
Tuck Everlasting	(Natalie Babbitt)
Holes	(Louis Sachar)
Rules	(Cynthia Lord)
The Wednesday Wars	(Gary D. Schmidt)
Small Steps	(Louis Sachar)
The Clementine Series	(Sarah Pennypacker)
Searching for David's Heart	(Cherie Bennett)
Stargirl	(Jerry Spinelli)
Maniac Magee	(Jerry Spinelli)
Milkweed	(Jerry Spinelli)
The Trumpets of the Swan	(E. B. White)
Tale of Despereaux	(Kate DiCamillo)
Running Out of Time	(Margaret Peterson Haddix)
Someone is Hiding on Alcatraz Island	(Eve Bunting)
The Twenty-One Balloons	(William Pene DuBois)
A Week in the Woods	(Andrew Clements)
Where the Red Fern Grows	(Wilson Rawls)
Caught by the Sea	(Gary Paulsen)
The Diary of Anne Frank	(Anne Frank, Otto Frank)
Artemis Fowl and series	(Eoin Colfer)
Ella Enchanted	(Gail Carson Levine)
BFG	(Roald Dahl)
James and the Giant Peach	(Roald Dahl)
Charlie and the Chocolate Factory	(Roald Dahl)
Matilda	(Roald Dahl)
Bud, Not Buddy	(Christopher Paul Curtis)
Elijah of Buxton	(Christopher Paul Curtis)
A Boy at War	(Harry Mazer)
Baseball in April and Other Stories	(Gary Soto)
Because of Winn-Dixie	(Kate DiCamillo)
The Boy Who Saved Baseball	(John H. Ritter)
Hoot	(Carl Hiaasen)
There's a Boy in the Girls Bathroom	(Louis Sachar)
Replay	(Sharon Creech)
Absolutely Normal Chaos	(Sharon Creech)
Hate That Cat	(Sharon Creech)
Walk Two Moons	(Sharon Creech)
The Giver	(Lois Lowry)
Number the Stars	(Lois Lowry)
The Indian in the Cupboard	(Lynne Reid Banks)
The Chronicles of Narnia	(C.S. Lewis)
The Diary of a Wimpy Kid Series	(Jeff Kinney)
Bridge of Terabithia	(Katherine Paterson)
Hatchet and the sequels to the story	(Gary Paulsen)
Griffin Bing Series	(Gordon Korman)
Comeback Kid Series	(Mike Lupica)
The Kid Who Ran For President	(Dan Gutman)

How is this book similar *or* different to your life? (Possible examples: time period, characters, setting, actions, and thoughts in your answer.)

Would you recommend this book to a friend? _____
Why or why not?
