

5th GRADE SUMMER READING



Dear Parents,

Reading is an important part of school, and your child's education. Our goal for your children is to instill in them a lifelong love of reading. To ensure that your child is well prepared and is continuing to read throughout the summer, the following requirements must be met before the beginning of the fifth grade school year.

The following book must be read by every student prior to the first day of school. Depending on your child's reading level, the book may be read together or independently.

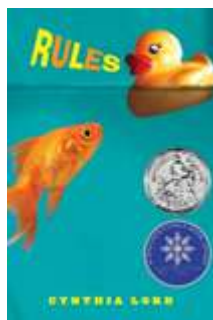
Rules by Cynthia Lord

Lessons will be planned around this novel, and your child must read it in order to participate during class. We will be requesting that Barnes and Noble stock the book. There are also on-line sites such as amazon.com or scholastic.com from which this book can be ordered. Your child should bring this book to school and be prepared to complete activities about it.

In addition, we encourage your child to participate in Dogwood's summer reading program and complete part or all of the "Summer Reading Bingo" board that was sent home. This is also posted on the Dogwood webpage for your convenience.

It is expected that as a fifth grader your child read on a daily basis for at least 20 minutes. This daily independent reading could consist of the novel listed above, books your child chooses from the library, non-fiction books, newspapers, magazines, poetry, etc. **The important thing is that your child is reading!**

We look forward to a successful year in fifth grade, and appreciate your support and encouragement to help make reading an important part of your child's life.



Sincerely,

Fifth Grade Teachers