

6th Grade Language Arts

Required Reading Assignment

As students begin their middle school years, we want to make sure the summer is filled with relaxation, sharing time with family and friends, and refueling after a busy year of learning in 5th grade. One great way to relax and refuel is to read great books! Students will be required to read *a minimum* of three books over the summer. Students should read at least one of the books from the list below over the summer and two self-selected books. A suggested book list has been provided to assist with the self-selection process, but students are not limited to only the titles below. Students may acquire a copy of these books through a local library or area book store. If families are experiencing limitations due to the pandemic this summer and are unable to locate a copy of one of the required books listed below, the texts may be replaced with a choice book.

Read one book from the selections below:

- *Absolutely Normal Chaos* by Sharon Creech
- *Super* by Matthew Cody
- *Love That Dog* by Sharon Creech



Then read two books of your choice. You may choose from the list of suggestions below, or choose a different title appropriate for your reading level and personal interests.

- *Ruby Holler* by Sharon Creech
- *Chasing Redbird* by Sharon Creech
- *The Brixen Witch* by Stacy DeKeyser
- *Travel Team* by Mike Lupica
- *The Boy on the Porch* by Sharon Creech
- *Touch Blue* by Cynthia Lord
- *Turtle in Paradise* by Jennifer L. Holm




In addition, students will be required to complete the following activities.

1. Keep a complete list of all the books you read over the summer. Record the author, title, and dates on the list. Rate each title with a 1 – 5 star rating, with 1 being poor and 5 being terrific.
2. The reading log can be brought to school on the first day, and students should plan to discuss their summer reading during the first week of school.

Student Name: _____

Reading Log

Book Title and Author	Date Started	Date Finished	Rate This Book (1=poor, 5=terrific)
Example: Travel Team by Mike Lupica	6/17	6/26	 I love this book!

Parent Signature_____