

St. Pius X Catholic School Summer

Reading Assignment

Dear Families of incoming 5th graders,

Research shows that students who complete academic activities during the summer retain or improve the knowledge and skills they gain during classroom instruction. Now I know that online learning has been tiresome, so as a result, I wanted to keep the summer homework somewhat simple.

We need your support in encouraging your child to complete his/her required summer assignments. This is designed to assist him/her in practicing the learning done during this past school year.

The proper completion of this summer packet will represent your child's first test grade in Literature for the 2021-2022 school year.

The packet must be completed and returned to school by Friday, August 27th.

Thank you,

Mrs. Pizzo

Instructions: Read at least one book from the summer reading list below. Please choose books that you have not read before. Complete the T.R.E.E. organizer and then the paragraph for one book. At the top of each paper, please fill in your name and grade:

- Organizers and paragraphs may be completed on these forms, typed, or neatly written on lined paper.
- Each component should show your best use of spelling, punctuation, and grammar.
- All parts should be in your own words.
- A list of books for the assignment can be found below. All books are AR books and can be used toward First Quarter's required AR POINTS.

Summer Reading Assignment: 5th Grade

Please read at least 1 books from the following list

(Parents, please assist your child in choosing a novel that is appropriate for their interest and reading comfort. The book should feel "just right"...not too challenging but not too easy ☺)

Shiloh, by Phyllis Reynolds

The One and Only Ivan, by Katherine Applegate

Dear Mr. Henshaw, by Beverly Cleary

Frindle by Andrew Clement

The Mouse and the Motorcycle by Beverly Cleary

The Whipping Boy by Sid Fleischman

IMPORANT: Is your child a struggling reader? Or perhaps your child hates to read? Books on audio (CD) are a FANTASTIC way to help your child complete books successfully. Local libraries, bookstores, and even Amazon.com are great resources to find audiobooks. Play a couple chapters each day, and have your child follow along in a hardcopy of the book. This is also a great way to listen to the book yourself, so that you can ask your child questions and help your child comprehend the novel.

Book #1

Student name: _____ Grade _____
_____ Book _____

Title: _____

Author: _____

Question: Would you recommend this book to another classmate? In a paragraph of at least 6 sentences, write an opinion piece explaining why you would or why you would not recommend this book to a classmate. First, complete the graphic organizer to help you properly form your paragraph.

Complete the following graphic organizer: T.R.E.E.

T (topic sentence, stating your opinion)

R (3 strong reasons to support your topic sentence)

E (Ending, concluding sentence)

E (Examine your work, make ideas stronger if needed. Add transition words)

T: _____

R: 1. _____

2. _____

3 _____

E. _____

Examine your work

