



Incoming 7th Grade Summer Reading

Summer vacation is here! While you are outside enjoying the sunshine and warm temperatures, take some time to relax and enjoy a good book. Reading is an enjoyable way to relax “poolside” or it can also be a relaxing activity to end a busy summer day.

Summer reading is a vital component of the Good Shepherd Academy Middle States’ strategic plan. Reading assignments for students entering grades seven and eight are mandatory. Simply choose two (2) books from the titles listed below, take notes on what you have read, and be prepared for a test on the assigned reading when you return to school. You will be permitted to use your reading notes during the test, so write down the important information about the characters, setting, sequence of major events, and the conclusion of the story. I always tell the students to write down a few sentences about each chapter to help yourself remember the important information. You will also be required to take the Accelerated Reader quizzes for the books, so please choose selections which you have not read before. My suggestion is that you take a relaxation break in June and read one book in July and the second selection in August.

Seventh grade is a “great” year in reading class. You will be introduced to the “World of Literature” and read stories that will take you to far places, make your imagination run wild, and increase your desire to read. Take some time this summer to enjoy two of the titles listed below. I look forward to discussing the books with you in the new school year. Happy summer and above all...Happy Reading!

Love,

Mrs. Ruch

Incoming 7th Grade Reading Selections (select two)

(You may read any of the books in these series.)

Kingdom Keepers: Disney After Dark by Ridley Pearson

Chasing Vermeer by Blue Balliett

Found by Margaret Peterson Haddix

The Mysterious Benedict Society by Trenton Lee Stewart

Additional Suggestions:

Bud, Not Buddy by Christopher Paul Curtis

The True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle by Avi

The Westing Game by Ellen Raskin