

ST. EDWARD CATHOLIC SCHOOL
READING/LITERATURE FOR GRADES 6-8

SY 2017-2018 Summer Reading List

Each incoming 6th, 7th, and 8th grader is expected to read 2 books during summer break.

One of the books is required reading for the entire class.

The 2nd book is the student's choice from the list of suggested books.

At the beginning of the 2017-2018 school year, we will review the required book and students will take a test at the conclusion of our review. There is no project for the required reading.

However, each student should select **one** project for the 2nd book they choose. The project is due by grade level as follows:

8th Grade – Thursday, August 24, 2017

7th Grade – Thursday, August 31, 2017

6th Grade – Thursday, September 7, 2017

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6th Grade Required Reading

Where the Red Fern Grows by Wilson Rawls

6th Grade Suggested Books

Murder in the Vatican: The Church Mysteries of Sherlock Holmes by Ann Margaret Lewis

Summer of My German Soldier by Bette Greene

The Giver by Lois Lowry

Out of the Dust by Karen Hesse

Maniac Magee by Jerry Spinelli

6th Grade Project

1. Make a diorama. Take an old box to build a scene from the book. Use toys, clay, grass, dirt, etc.(whatever is appropriate) to build the scene. Draw or paint the background. Then write at least three paragraphs telling about the scene.
2. Do a timeline of the plot with pictures.
3. Write a children's version of the book you choose. Be sure to decide before you begin the age group you are writing for in order to simplify the book. Use illustrations throughout the book.
4. Take a file folder and add two paper handles to the top to resemble a briefcase. Write the book's title and author on the front of the folder (briefcase) then open it to lie flat. On the top half, illustrate five of the book's main events and write a clue next to each one. Write a summary that concludes with a teaser that will leave readers wondering how the book ends. Staple the summary to the bottom half.

Project Due Date: Thursday, September 7, 2017

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6th Grade Summer Project Rubric

The objective of your Summer Reading project is for you to demonstrate an understanding of the novel you selected using ideas and details in a neat and organized manner. The content of your finished project should fit well with the book you selected.'

Project #1 Diorama

Name 5 _____
Book Title 5 _____
Content/Creativity 60 _____
 3 paragraphs
 Appearance
Oral Presentation 30 _____
 Introduction
 Details

Project #2 Timeline

Name 5 _____
Book Title 5 _____
Content/Creativity 60 _____
 Organization
 Sequence of Events
Oral Presentation 30 _____
 Introduction
 Details

Project #3 Children's Book

Name 5 _____
Book Title 5 _____
Organization/Creativity 30 _____
Content 30 _____
Oral Presentation 30 _____
 Introduction
 Details

Project #4 Briefcase

Name 5 _____
Book Title 5 _____
Organization/Creativity 30 _____
Content 30 _____
Oral Presentation 30 _____
 Introduction
 Details