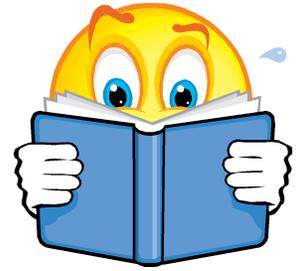


Dear Families of Incoming 5th Graders,

As we head into the summer months, we hope that you enjoy the warm weather and leisurely pace of summertime. Many of you will be camping, boating, swimming, traveling, and enjoying relaxing evenings with family and friends. We would like to add one more activity for your child to enjoy . . .

READING!



Research shows that children who do not read over the summer often lose some of the progress they have made during the school year. To stress the importance of continuing to read over the long break, we are requiring summer reading for our incoming fifth grade students. Students will need to be prepared to discuss their book with their classmates the first week of school.

Books allow our students to go on wonderful adventures in the comfort of their own homes (or cars, hammocks, beach chairs, etc.) We are looking forward to hearing about the exciting journeys our students have taken over the summer. The more books students read, the greater their reading skills become. Enjoy your travels!



Partners in Reading,

5th Grade Teachers

Requirements:

Incoming Fifth Graders: You must select a book to read that is at least 200 pages long. You may choose two shorter books, but they must together total at least 200 pages. You will be discussing your book during the first week of school. To help you remember your reading, you can fill out all the information on the back of this paper and bring it with you on the first day of school. The writing is optional. The reading is not!

NOTE: This information as well as a printable copy of the bookmark can be found on: www.aurora-schools.org through the Leighton link.



Name: _____

5th Grade SUMMER READING BOOKMARK (OPTIONAL)

*Directions: Your job this summer is to read at least 200 pages! This can be 1 or 2 books.

Choose one of the books you read and complete the following:

Book Title and Author	
Main Character(s)	
Setting	
Problem	
Solution	
Recommendation: (1-2 sentences)	

*Be prepared to give a book talk in the first week of school about this book!

OTHER BOOKS YOU'VE READ THIS SUMMER	
TITLE	AUTHOR