

## SUMMER READING PROGRAM - Incoming Grade 8

Participation in the Summer Reading Program is mandatory for all students entering grades 1 through 8.

Care has been taken to ensure that the expectations for each grade level are appropriate for students entering that grade. I have chosen a variety of books to appeal to different reading tastes, while providing literary value.

Please assist your child in the selection of reading. My requirements for the reporting procedure are listed below.

Have fun reading!!

1. Mandatory reading for everyone:

The Red Badge of Courage by Stephen Crane

2. Choose ONE of the following books:

Johnny Tremain	Esther Forbes
The ABC Murders or any other title	Agatha Christie
Across Five Aprils	Irene Hunt
For Freedom: The Story of a French Spy	Kimberly Brubaker Bradley
The Last Treasure	Janet S. Anderson
Montmorency series	Eleanor Updale
Devil's Arithmetic	Jane Yolen
Jacob's Rescue	Michael Halperin

### SUMMER READING ACTIVITIES

1. For each book you read, fill out the "Book Report Form" sheets attached. These forms will demonstrate that you have read and understood the literary elements of the books.
2. You must bring a copy of "The Red Badge of Courage" to class on the first day of school. We will begin our Literature program with that book.

I hope you enjoy your summer, and that reading will be an enjoyable and important part of it!