



Dear Parents and Students,

Summertime is a great time to kick back and relax with a good book. Reading is an activity that can be done anywhere-- in the car, plane, rocking in a hammock, or sunning at the beach. Incoming seventh graders are required to read two books. They may select books from the following list:

- Under the Same Sky* by Cynthia DeFelice
- Notes from a Liar and Her Dog* by Gennifer Choldenko
- Lost in the Sun* by Lisa Graff
- Belly Up* by Stuart Gibbs
- Terror at Bottle Creek* by Watt Key
- Escaping the Giant Wave* by Peg Kehret
- Saint Louis Armstrong Beach* by Brenda Woods

These titles are readily available at your public library or book store. Once a book is read, your child is asked to complete the attached book report form either by writing directly on it or by typing it into a Google Docs. A copy of the form is available on the St. Rita School website that may be downloaded at home. Book reports will be collected on the first day of school and count as the first literature grade of the year.

Enjoy your summer, and happy reading!

Mrs. Rourke

Interesting Character. Pick the character you think is the most interesting. What attributes (characteristics) does this character possess that make that character especially interesting to you? Name at least three traits and give specific examples from the story of the character displaying each trait. Write in complete sentences.

Conflict and Resolution. Describe the major problem in the story which the protagonist (central character) must overcome and describe how the problem was solved. Be specific. Write in complete sentences.

What is one thing you would change about the story? Would you recommend this book? Why or why not?

Middle School 6th-8th Summer Reading:

Book Report Form

(answers may also be typed)

Your Name: _____ Grade: _____

Book Title: _____

Number of Pages: _____ Book Author: _____

Why do you think the author chose this particular title for the book? Is it significant? What does it mean?

Brief Plot Summary: What is the book about? Summarize the plot of the book in eight to ten complete sentences.

Favorite Scene: Describe with details the setting of your favorite scene in the book. Be sure to include where and when this scene is taking place. Write in complete sentences.
