

Dear Incoming 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Families,

I am very excited to begin working with the incoming 5<sup>th</sup> grade students next year. I worked with most of you at some point and look forward to upcoming year. With summer approaching, I encourage you to take full advantage of the sun! One great activity to do is to relax in the sun and read a book.

Attached you will find a list of books for the summer. I would like each student to read at least one book from the list and two others of their choice. By the end of the summer you will have read three books.

The assignment for the first book is to write me a “friendly letter”. Details for this assignment are on the next page. All you need to do for the next two books is to enjoy reading them and be prepared for in-class assignments after school begins.

Please take the time to talk with your child about reading over the summer and support him or her in summer reading.

I hope you have a wonderful summer. Please contact me if you have any questions.

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Sincerely,

Mr. Meaux

**Your assignment for the first book is:**

Write me a “friendly letter” about the book. Follow the format I’ve attached to this list. Include the following information:

1. Introduce yourself to me. (What are some of your likes, dislikes, sports or hobbies?)
2. What did you like about this book? (Give specific examples of events or characters you liked and why.)
3. What did you dislike about the book? (Again, give specific examples of events or characters you disliked and why.)
4. Would you recommend this book to other 5<sup>th</sup> grade students? Why or why not? (Please do not just answer the questions with yes or no. Write an explanation with supporting details in complete sentences.)

Mail your letter to me before school starts in August.

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**5th GRADE SUMMER READING LIST**

**(Lupica) Million Dollar Throw**

**(Davies) Lemonade War**

**(Feldman) The Gollywhopper Games**

**(Funke) Ingraine the Brave**

**(Gauthier) A Girl, A Boy, and a Monster Cat**

**(Graff) Umbrella Summer**

**(Kehret) Abduction**

**(Kehret) Small Steps**

**(Lupica) Any of his books**

**(Martin) A Dog’s Life**

**(O’Connor) How to Steal a Dog**