

## RISING 6<sup>TH</sup> GRADERS REQUIRED SUMMER READING 2020

Summer reading is essential to maintaining your reading skills. It is my hope that you will find the books listed below fun to read. Enjoy!

All incoming sixth graders are required to read one novel of their choosing. After reading your book, <u>choose one</u> of the formats below to create a book talk that will be presented at the start of the school year. Be sure to follow all directions for completing your book talk.

Below is a list of suggested titles, if you are looking for a recommendation, however the book you choose for your project does not have to come from this list.

- Al Capone Does My Shirts by Gennifer Choldenko
- Call it Courage by Armstrong Sperry
- Ghost by Jason Reynolds
- The Egypt Game by Zilpha Keatley Snyder
- Chasing Vermeer by Blue Balliett
- One Crazy Summer by Rita Williams-Garcia
- Shadow of the Bull by Maia Wojciechowska
- Ungifted by Gordon Korman
- Maniac Magee by Jerry Spinelli
- The Two Princesses of Bamarre by Gail Carson Levine
- Niagara Falls, or Does It? by Henry Winkler
- A View from Saturday by E. L. Konigsburg Wonder by R. J. Palacio

<u>Option 1: Google Slides Book Talk</u>: Create a Google Slides presentation, based on your reading of your chosen book. You may choose the layout, fonts, colors, and images that you include, however, to receive full credit, you must have all of the required slides with all of the listed criteria.

- Slide 1: title and author of your book, a picture of the book's cover, your first and last name, your grade
- Slide 2: an objective summary of the book just the basics, no opinions
- Slide 3: a detailed description of the main character and an image that represents that character, based on the novel, as well as an explanation of why the symbol you chose represents the character.
  - For example, if you read Harry Potter, the image representing him might be his glasses or a lightning bolt.
- Slide 4: Your most and least favorite parts of the book and why
- Slide 5: Would you recommend this book to your classmates? Why or why not?

**Option 2: Flipgrid Book Talk**: Go to the link below and record a flipgrid video that includes all of the following information, based on your reading of your chosen novel. You may get creative with your selfie, the sticker options, and the other editing choices available, but in order to receive full credit, you

need to include ALL of the following criteria as part of your video.

\*\*NOTE: There is a 10 minute time limit for your video, so it may be helpful to take notes before you start recording to make sure you use your time effectively.\*\*

If you are a new student to St. Agnes and want to choose this option for your book talk, you will be able to record your video once your St. Agnes account is set up. In the meantime, you can prepare your notes for what you will say in your video.

- 1. Click this link: 6th Grade Summer Reading Flipgrid
- 2. Include the following criteria in your video:
  - a. Your first and last name, your grade
  - b. The title and author of the book
  - c. A summary of the book
  - d. Your most and least favorite character in the novel and why
  - e. Would you recommend this book to a classmate? Why or why not?

This will be your first graded assignment of 6<sup>th</sup> grade, so put in your best effort! Your book talks will be shared during the first weeks of school. **HAPPY READING!**