

SMS 8th GRADE SUMMER SCHOOL 2021 READING PROJECT

FOR YOUR SUMMER READING PROJECT REQUIREMENT TO READ THIS SUMMER, HERE ARE THE NEW GUIDELINES FOR THE FALL OF 2021!!

- 6TH GRADERS WILL READ ***TWO BOOKS*** OF YOUR CHOICE AND FILL OUT THE REQUIRED BOOK REVIEW ATTACHED. THEY WILL BE DUE THE 2ND WEEK OF SCHOOL IN THE FALL---SEPT. 13-17.

We all know that summer reading can be a chore. You have to find books that interest you, write reports on them, and also cross your fingers that there's an AR test for it. So the newspaper staff decided to compile a list of book recommendations, a short synopsis of each book, as well as the number of AR points you get for them.

Book: Scythe (Arc of a Scythe)

Author: Neal Shusterman

AR Points: 17

Synopsis: A world with no hunger, no disease, no war, no misery: Humanity has conquered all those things and has even conquered death. Now Scythes are the only ones who can end life - and they are commanded to do so in order to keep the size of the population under control. Citra and Rowan are chosen to apprentice to a scythe - a role that neither wants. These teens must master the "art" of taking life, knowing that the consequence of failure could mean losing their own.

Book: Skyward

Author: Brandon Sanderson

AR Points: 21

Synopsis: Spensa's world has been under attack for hundreds of years. An alien race called the Krell leads onslaught after onslaught from the sky in a never-ending campaign to destroy humankind. Pilots are the heroes of what's left of the human race. She dreams of becoming a pilot, but her fate is intertwined with that of her father-- a pilot himself who was killed years ago when he abruptly deserted his team. When the Krell double their fleet, this may be Spensa's chance to get into Flight School.

Book: The Hunger Games (The Hunger Games Trilogy)

Author: Suzanne Collins

AR Points: 15

Synopsis: Winning means fame and fortune. Losing means certain death. The Hunger Games have begun. . . . In the ruins of a place once known as North America lies the nation of Panem, a shining Capitol surrounded by twelve outlying districts. The Capitol is harsh and cruel and keeps the districts in line by forcing them all to send one boy and one girl between the ages of twelve and eighteen to participate in the annual Hunger Games, a fight to the death on live TV. Sixteen-year-old Katniss Everdeen regards it as a death sentence when she steps forward to take her sister's place in the Games. But Katniss has been close to dead before-and survival, for her, is

second nature. Without really meaning to, she becomes a contender. But if she is to win, she will have to start making choices that weigh survival against humanity and life against love.

Book: Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone

Author: J.K. Rowling

AR Points: 12

Synopsis: Harry Potter has no idea how famous he is. That's because he's being raised by his miserable aunt and uncle who are terrified Harry will learn that he's really a wizard, just as his parents were. But everything changes when Harry is summoned to attend an infamous school for wizards, and he begins to discover some clues about his illustrious birthright. From the surprising way he is greeted by a lovable giant, to the unique curriculum and colorful faculty at his unusual school, Harry finds himself drawn deep inside a mystical world he never knew existed and closer to his own noble destiny.

Book: Front Desk

Author: Kelly Yang

AR Points: 9

Synopsis: Mia Tang has a lot of secrets. Number 1: She lives in a motel, not a big house. Every day, while her immigrant parents clean the rooms, ten-year-old Mia manages the front desk of the Calivista Motel and tends to its guests. Number 2: Her parents hide immigrants. And if the mean motel owner, Mr. Yao, finds out they've been letting them stay in the empty rooms for free, the Tangs will be doomed. Number 3: She wants to be a writer. But how can she when her mom thinks she should stick to math because English is not her first language? It will take all of Mia's courage, kindness, and hard work to get through this year. Will she be able to hold on to her job, help the immigrants and guests, escape Mr. Yao, and go for her dreams?

Book: Diary of a Wimpy Kid

Author: Jeff Kinney

AR Points: 3

Synopsis: It's a new school year, and Greg Heffley finds himself thrust into middle school, where undersized weaklings share the hallways with kids who are taller, meaner, and already shaving. The hazards of growing up before you're ready are uniquely revealed through words and drawings as Greg records them in his diary. In book one of this debut series, Greg is happy to have Rowley, his sidekick, along for the ride. But when Rowley's star starts to rise, Greg tries to use his best friend's newfound popularity to his own advantage, kicking off a chain of events that will test their friendship in hilarious fashion.

Book: Unschooled

Author: Allan Woodrow

AR Points: 8

Synopsis: Fifth graders George and Lily are best friends, but when they end up leading separate teams competing for the Spirit Week prize, it puts a strain on their friendship, especially when the competition generates a host of nasty pranks designed to sabotage their teams--and if Principal Klein finds out what is going on, Spirit Week will be canceled and everybody concerned will spend the rest of the year in detention.

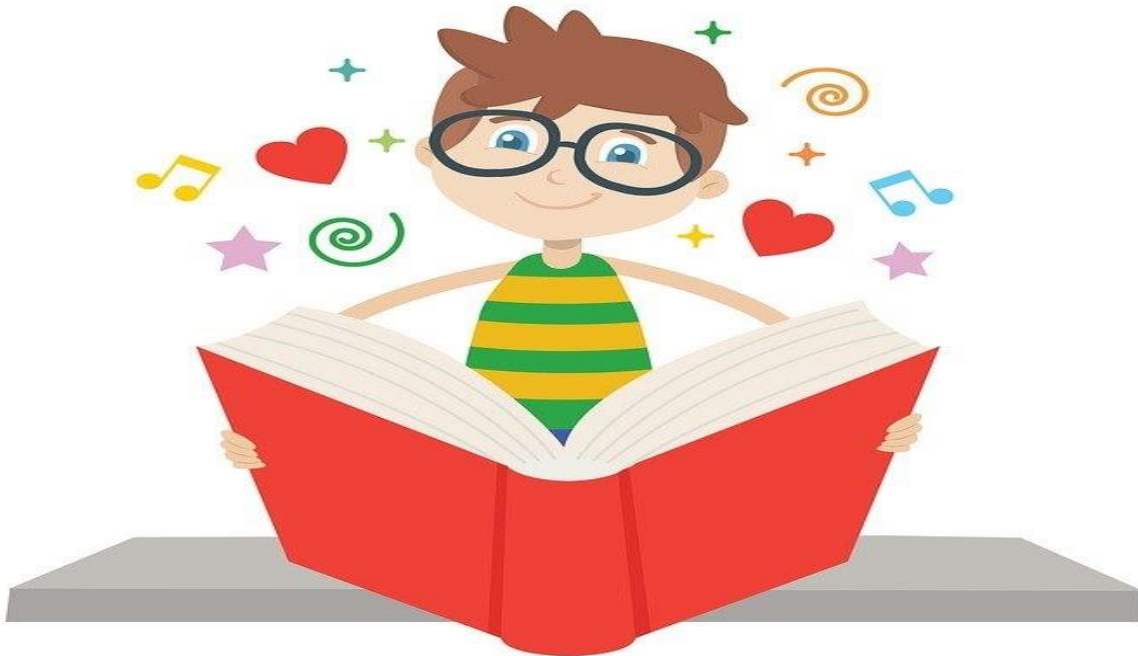
Book: When You Trap a Tiger

Author: Tae Keller

AR Points: 8

Synopsis: When Lily and her family move in with her sick grandmother, a magical tiger straight out of her halmoni's Korean folktales arrives, prompting Lily to unravel a secret family history. Long, long ago, Halmoni stole something from the tigers. Now they want it back. And when one of the tigers approaches Lily with a deal--return what her grandmother stole in exchange for Halmoni's health--Lily is tempted to agree. But deals with tigers are never what they seem! With the help of her sister and her new friend Ricky, Lily must find her voice...and the courage to face a tiger.

HAPPY READING:)





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