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Dear Middle School Families (incoming Grades 6-8),

The Pingry English Department believes that one of the most important habits to develop as an educated person is a love of reading; therefore, we feel it is vital for students to continue reading throughout the summer. All summer reading lists, directions, and materials can be found at pingry.org/summerreading.

All Middle School students should read TWO titles from the lists of recommended books by grade level, which are available on the Pingry website. For their first choice, students will complete the “Summer Reading Questionnaire,” which is due the first day of school. For their second choice, students will complete a creative project in their class in September.

Advice to students: When choosing a summer reading book, consider your interests! Does the blurb catch your attention? Read the first few pages—is the vocabulary manageable? Do you like the writing style? Remember that some books are appealing to friends and family members, but they might not be to you—take control of your choices!

In addition to the required summer reading, we encourage students to read other books that simply interest them. If they like sports, read books on sports; if they like mysteries, read mysteries. What is most important is that our students read.

Have a wonderful summer!

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