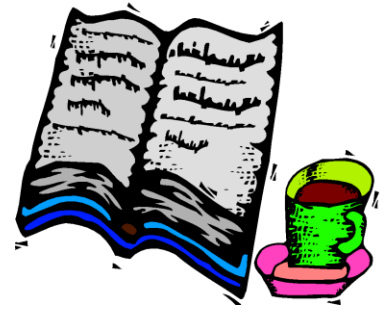


Summer Reading for ECS future 5th graders

Please choose between ONE of the following books for your summer reading selection.



DARBY By: Jonathon Scott Fuqua

ISBN # 978-0-7636-2290-9AR Points: 7.0

This story is set in 1926 in South Carolina. A girl named Darby Carmichael becomes a young newspaper girl and begins writing a column called *The Bennettsville Times*. Before long, her column gains fame in the town. However, the town finds it may not be ready for the truths young Darby reveals.

The Twenty- One Balloons By: William Pene du Bois

ISBN #0-14-032097-0AR Points: 6.0

When Professor William Waterman Sherman leaves San Francisco in a hot-air balloon, he intends to fly across the Pacific Ocean. Instead, through a twist of fate, he lands on Krakatoa, a legendary island of unimaginable wealth, eccentric inhabitants, and fantastic balloon inventions.

Among the Hidden By: Margaret Peterson Haddix

ISBN# 978-0-689-82475-3 AR Points: 5.0

This story is about a boy named Luke who lives in seclusion. One day, he sees a mysterious girl's face in a neighbor's house window. From here a dangerous plan unfolds that leads to Luke's involvement and possible serious consequences.

You can find copies in book stores, public libraries, or through on-line purchasing sites OR you may borrow a copy from the school (these will be available on a first come/first serve basis and must be returned when school begins).

Assignment...

While reading, keep a list of ten-twelve major events that happen during the book. This will be turned in to your teacher during the first week of school, and students will also take an AR test on the book.

The AR points gained will go towards your AR goal for Quarter 1.