Summer vacation is the perfect time to enjoy great books, and the Lower School has a reading challenge for YOU! Students entering grades 1-5 are encouraged to meet their grade level reading goal for the summer. Successful readers will participate in the Summer Reading Celebration held in the library during the first month of school.

Here are some great book suggestions for 5th graders:

- Addy: An American Girl by Connie Porter
- Assateague: Island of the Wild Ponies by Andrea Jack and Larry Points
- A Little Princess by Frances Hodgson Burnett
- Americas Paul Revere by Esther Forbes
- Anne of Green Gables by Lucy Maud Montgomery
- Because of Winn Dixie by Kate DiCamillo
- Black Pioneers of Science and Invention by Louis Haber
- Black Women for Science by Kimberly Brown Pellum
- Bud, Not Buddy by Christopher Paul Curtis
- Caddie Woodlawn by Carol Ryrie Brink
- Calico Captive by Elizabeth George Speare
- Gordon Parks How the Photographer Captured Black and White America by Carole Boston
- Weatherford and Jamey Christoph
- Hidden Figures by Margot Lee Shetterly
- Homer Price by Robert McCloskey
- Hoot by Carl Hiaasen
- Jungle Book by Rudyard Kipling
- Just So Stories by Rudyard Kipling
- Little Women by Louisa May Alcott
- Mary Poppins by Pamela Travers
- Miss Pickerell Goes to Mars by Ellen MacGregor
- Misty of Chincoteague by Marguerite Henry
- My Side of the Mountain by Jean Craighead George
- Owls in the Family by Farley Mowat
- Paul Bunyan by Steven Kellogg
- Rascal by Sterling North
- Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm by Kate Douglas Wiggin
- Robinson Crusoe by Daniel Defoe
- Saint George and the Dragon retold by Margaret Hodges
- Sarah, Plain and Tall by Patricia MacLachlan
- Stuart Little by E.B. White
- The Boy’s King Arthur edited by Sidney Lanier
- The Girl with a Mind for Math by Julia Finley Mosca and Daniel Rieley
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Guidelines for the Program:

Students entering 5th grade need to:
- Meet your reading goal of 15 hours or more. (For example: 30 min./day for 30 days)
- Complete this sheet, including your parent’s signature.

**Forms are due to your teacher on the first week of school.
Reading Record

Note: each picture = 30 minutes

Instructions: Students, please color in each picture as you go. Also, to help Mrs. Lee choose great books for the school, please write your favorite titles down on the attached sheet of paper. She would love to see what books you loved during the summer. You should be prepared to tell your teacher and classmates about your favorite book from the summer when you return to school. You will be expected to write about it during the first week of school.

**Parents, please track your child’s progress by initialing the end of each row and sign the form when the reading goal has been met.

Happy Reading!