

2022-23 Summer Reading

Rising GRADE 6 Students

1. Read "The Boys in the Boat" (Young Readers Adaptation)

Before we resume school in late August, read "The Boys in the Boat" by Daniel James Brown. This is our division-wide summer reading book that all middle school students will read. We recommend reading this in August so it is fresh in your mind before returning to school. We will be discussing it in the first few weeks of class.

2. Read "The Night Diary" by Veera Hiranandani

A 2019 Newberry Honor Book, "The Night Diary" is a beautifully crafted, coming-of-age story about a shy, young girl who is discovering her own talents and skills in a world that is full of both despair and love. With rich characters and thought-provoking events that young people of any country and time period can relate to, this is historical fiction for young readers at its best.

3. Read one age-appropriate book of your choosing

Please be prepared to talk about your book in an informal "get to know you" ice-breaker during the first week of school. Here is a list of recommendations in case you are a student who does not YET consider yourself a reader and therefore will have no idea what to pick.

Need help choosing?

- [Here's a list of Newbery Medal and Honor books](#), spanning from 1922 to present day.
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