

**Our Lady of Good Counsel School
Rising 6th Grade Summer Reading List
2024**

Required Reading for all rising 6th Graders (must be read):	
Title	Author
<i>The City of Ember</i>	Jeanne DuPrau

Additional Suggested Reading Ideas for 6th Graders (must read 2 additional books; these are suggestions):		
Title	Author	Lexile
<i>I Am Malala: How One Girl Stood Up for Education and Changed the World (Young Reader's Edition)</i>	Malala Yousafzai with Patricia McCormick	700-950
<i>The Lightning Thief</i>	Rick Riordan	700 – 950
<i>The Adventures of Tom Sawyer</i>	Mark Twain	700 – 950
<i>A Long Way from Chicago</i>	Richard Peck	700 – 950
<i>The Red Blazer Girls: The Ring of Rocamadour</i>	Michael D. Beil	700 – 950
<i>Flush</i>	Carl Hiaasen	700 – 950
<i>False Prince</i>	Jennifer Nielsen	700 – 950
<i>Cosmic</i>	Frank Cottrell Boyce	700 – 950
<i>Hatchet</i>	Gary Paulsen	951+
<i>Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry</i>	Mildred D. Taylor	951+
<i>The Watsons Go to Birmingham</i>	Christopher Paul Curtis	951+
<i>Savvy</i>	Ingrid law	951+
<i>Travel Team</i>	Mike Lupica	951+
<i>Lincoln's Grave Robbers</i>	Steve Sheinkin	951+
<i>The Hive Detectives: Chronicle of a Honeybee Catastrophe</i>	Loree Griffin Burns	951+

Information about Summer Reading Assignments:

Required Reading: *The City of Ember* by Jeanne DuPrau

"The City of Ember" is a required reading. Please note that a short reading comprehension quiz on this book will be given on the first day of school. Students are required to have a copy of *"The City of Ember"* to use in class starting on the second day of school. Students will be expected to complete in-class assignments on the novel during the first week.

Read 2 additional books for a total of 3 books read during the summer: The above list has some suggested books you may choose from. Students are encouraged to pursue their own interests in their summer reading. When selecting a second book, please keep in mind that it is grade-level appropriate in terms of content and challenge, and also supports the faith and belief of Catholic values. Other resources for book suggestions are: www.readkiddoread.com, www.goodreads.com, the local librarian, or a favorite bookstore. Parents may also opt to use their student's Scantron data (more specifically, the Lexile score on the student's reading test) from the 2023/2024 school year to select a book that is appropriately challenging for the student. Parents and students may search for books by Lexile score at www.lexile.com. For the choice reading, students should choose a book that is the original work (no illustrated classics or abridged versions) and one that they have not previously read.

Note that with the choice reading assignment, parents are ultimately responsible for approval of the content of the book selected by the student. Thank you!