



# THE RUMSON COUNTRY DAY SCHOOL

## 2024 Summer Reading for Students Entering the Sixth Grade

### 6 Grade Required for Literature:

*The Lost Library* by Rebecca Stead and Wendy Mass

**Students are also required to choose one additional book from the following list:**

*The Eyes and The Impossible* by Dave Eggers

*Ferris* by Kate DiCamilla

*The One and Only Family* by Katherine Applegate

*Fish in a Tree* by Lynda Mullalee Hunt

*Hatchet* by Gary Paulsen

*Hummingbird* by Natalie Lloyd

**If your child wishes to read more than the two required books, the list below provides a wide selection of suggested texts. Please note that these additional texts may not be substituted for the required books.**

#### Adventure

Avi, *Crispin* series\*

Burnford, *The Incredible Journey*

Cameron, *A Dog's Journey*

O'Dell, *Island of the Blue Dolphin*

#### Mystery/Realistic Fiction

Balliett, *Chasing Vermeer*

Bosch, *The Secret*\*

Buckley, *The Sisters Grimm*\*

Gibbs, *FunJungle*\*

Gibbs, *Spy School*\*

Grabenstein, *Mr. Lemoncello's Library*\*

Oh, *Spirit Hunters*\*

Stead, *Liar and Spy*

Stewart, *The Mysterious Benedict Society*\*

Turnage, *Three Times Lucky*\*

#### Realistic Fiction

Agosin, *I Lived on Butterfly Hill*

Applegate, *Home of the Brave*

Applegate, *The One and Only Ivan*

Buyea, *Saving Mr. Terupt*

Choldenko, *Al Capone Does my Shirts*

Crowder, *Parched*

#### Realistic Fiction (continued)

Draper, *Blended*

Draper, *Out of My Mind*

Erskine, *Mockingbird*

Green, *Football Hero*

Hiassen, *Hoot*

Hunt, *Fish in a Tree*

Holt, *When Zackary Beaver Came to Town*

Korman, *Unplugged*

Levine, *Dave at Night*

Lord, *Rules*

Martin, *Rain, Reign, A Corner of the Universe*

Mass, *Every Soul A Star*

McKinlay, *Below*

Medina, *Merci Suarez series*

Myers, *Hoops*

Palacio, *Auggie and Me*

Palacio, *Wonder*

Schmidt, *Lizzie Bright and the Buckminster Boy*

Selznick, *The Marvels*

Sloan, *Counting by 7's*

Smith, *Another Kind of Hurricane*

Spinelli, *Stargirl*

Williams-Garcia, *One Crazy Summer*

Yep, *Ribbons*

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## **Fantasy**

Applegate, *Crenshaw*  
Barnhill, *The Girl Who Drank the Moon*  
Clare, *City of Bones*  
Clements, *Things Not Seen*  
Cooper, *The Dark Is Rising Sequence*\*  
DuPrau, *The City of Ember*\*  
Ellis and Meloy, *Wildwood*  
Funke, *The Thief Lord*  
Law, *Savvy*  
Lin, *Where the Mountain Meets the Moon*  
Nielsen, *Mark of The Thief, Ascendance Trilogy*\*  
Oppel, *The Nest*  
Paolini, *Eragon*\*  
Riordan, *Gods of Olympus, Kane Chronicles*\*  
Rowling, *Harry Potter*\*  
Sciescka, *Guys Read*\*

## **Historical Fiction**

Brink, *Caddie Woodlawn*  
Draper, *Stella by Starlight*  
Gantos, *Dead End in Norvelt*  
Giff, *Lily's Crossing*  
Gratz, *Refugee, Grenade, Projekt 1065*  
Park, *A Single Shard*  
Peck, *A Long Way from Chicago*

## **Poetry/Verse**

Alexander, *The Crossover*  
Fehler, *Beanball*  
Grimes, *Garvey's Choice*  
Lai, *Inside Out and Back Again*  
Pinkney, *The Red Pencil*  
Rose, *May B*

## **Classics**

Burnett, *The Secret Garden*  
Du Bois, *The Twenty-One Balloons*  
Grahame, *The Wind in the Willows*  
Montgomery, *Anne of Green Gables*\*  
Sewell, *Black Beauty*  
Steinbeck, *The Red Pony*  
Wilder, *The Long Winter*\*

## **Graphic Novels**

Bell, *El Deafo*  
Holm, *Sunny Side Up*  
Jamieson, *Roller Girl*  
Telgemeier, *Smile*  
Wang, *Stargazing*

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