SUMMER READING REQUIREMENTS:

1. Select 1 fiction and 1 non-fiction book and complete the book report form attached to this document. (Students may select from the teacher suggestion list or select a grade level book of their own choice.)
2. Maintain “Student Summer Reading Log”.
3. Read a minimum 30 minutes a day.
4. Be prepared to give an oral presentation about both of your books the first week of your 5th grade school year.

The following titles are reading suggestions based on the novels we will be reading through the fifth grade year. Students should read at least one novel from this list.

**FICTION:**

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A Year Down Yonder  Richard Peck
Prophecy of the Sisters  Michelle Zink
Julie of the Wolves  Jean Craighead George
The Cats of Roxville Station  Jean Craighead George
Getting Near To Baby  Audrey Couloumbis
No Summit Out of Sight  Jordan Romero
The Phantom Tollbooth  Norton Juster
Shiloh  Phyllis Reynolds Naylor
Missing May  Cynthia Rylant
The Incredible Journey  Sheila Burnford
The Black Cauldron  Lloyd Alexander
The Egypt Game  Zilpha Keatley Synder
Roller Girl  Victoria Jamieson
Bridge To Terabithia  Katherine Paterson
Trouble Maker  Andrew Clements
The House on Stone’s Throw Island  Dan Poblocki
The Ghost of Crutchfield Hall  Mary Downing Hahn
Mark of the Thief  Jennifer A. Nielsen
The Scourge  Jennifer A. Nielsen

NON-FICTION:

The Boys in the Boat  (Young Person’s ed.)  Daniel James Brown
Buffalo Hunt  Russell Freedman
Undefeated  Steve Sheinken
Tracking Trash: Flotsam, Jetsam, and the Science of Ocean Motion  Loree Griffin Burns

Who Was?  (Book Series)  Various authors
Big Ideas That Changed the World  Book Series  Don Brown
History Smashers  (Book Series)  Kate Messner
Unforgettable Americans  (Book Series)  Jean Fritz’
## 5th GRADE SUMMER READING LOG

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**FICTION BOOK REPORT**
Name: __________________________  Grade: ____________

Fiction Book Title:____________________ Start Date: __________
Author:_____________________________ End Date: ___________

Write thoughtful, detailed responses to the following questions. (Hint: You should write COMPLETE sentences for your responses.)

1. Why did you choose this book?

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________________________________________________________________________

2. Who is the main character? Describe his/her/its personality.

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________________________________________________________________________

3. What is the main character's problem? (What is he/she/it trying to do/accomplish/overcome/etc.?)

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4. Describe how the main character resolves his/her/its problem.

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5. Did you enjoy reading this book? Explain below why you did or did not enjoy reading this book.

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NON-FICTION BOOK REPORT
Write thoughtful, detailed responses to the following questions. (Hint: You should write COMPLETE sentences for your responses.)

Explain the topic of the book. 

List 3 facts that you learned from the book.

1. 

2. 

3. 

What information in this book do you think is important for others to know? Explain why.

Why did you choose to read this book?

Do you like the book? Tell why or why not.