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Dear Parents,

The end of the year is just around the corner. However, we all know that learning does not and should not stop during the summer months. We hope that our students will have the opportunities to maintain and strengthen the skills they have learned this year at Holy Family Regional School. One important way to do that is to encourage reading throughout the summer. We are providing a list of recommended books at each grade level. Three books are starred to indicate that they are required reading. Your child's teacher may indicate what your child needs to do as a written response after reading the required books. It is our hope that all the children will add reading books to their list of "things to do this summer."

For children entering eighth grade the following books are required:

Choose one non-fiction book:

*An American Plague: The True and Terrifying Story of the Yellow Fever Epidemic of 1793*

- Jim Murphy

*The Boy in the Wooden Box: How the Impossible Became Possible...on Schindler's list -*

-Leon Leyson

AND

Choose one fiction book:

*Be: The Journey of Rol* - Rick Colegrove

*Echo*- Pam Muñoz Ryan

*Woods Runner* - Gary Paulsen

After reading the required books, each student entering eighth grade is to complete a project according to the details on the attached document. This information is also available online via the school webpage and the Announcement page of my site.

Additional recommended reading: Try the other suggestions!

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Dear Parents,

To verify that you received the information about **summer reading** please sign and return this bottom portion to your child's teacher. We thank you in advance for your support.

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_

## Grade 7 to 8 Summer Reading Requirements



### Non-fiction Selection

*\*all students must read ONE of these books*

*An American Plague: The True and Terrifying Story of the Yellow  
Fever Epidemic of 1793 - Jim Murphy*

*The Boy in the Wooden Box: How the Impossible Became Possible...on  
Schindler's list - Leon  
Leyson*

### Fiction Selections

*\*choose ONE book from these choices*

*Be: The Journey of Rol - Rick Colegrove*

*Echo- Pam Muñoz Ryan*

*Woods Runner - Gary Paulsen*

For the **fiction** selection, complete the following assignment:

Fiction Assessment

Your work will be graded using this rubric:

Fiction Assessment Rubric

An assignment based on the non-fiction selection will be done in class in  
September.

**Happy Reading!**

