

St. James School 73 Park Street Manchester, CT

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Dear Incoming Sixth Graders and Parents,

Welcome to Middle School! As you know, reading is a very important skill that helps you to exercise your brain, improve your vocabulary, hone all your language skills, and enjoy some quiet time being transported to places you have dreamed to visit and places you may have never even considered visiting. It is important that you continue to read throughout the summer for pleasure!

Choose <u>ONE</u> book from the following list. If you've already read one of them, please select another book. Embark upon a new adventure! There will be a <u>Quiz</u> to complete during the first week of school, after short discussions.

A Long Way From Chicago

The Egypt Game Maniac Magee

The Schwa Was Here

The Trumpeter of Krakow

The Westing Game Walk Two Moons

Blessings,

The Witch of Blackbird Pond

by Richard Peck

by Zilpha Keatley Snyder

by Jerry Spinelli

by Neal Shusterman

by Eric P. Kelly (not for Reading 2)

by Ellen Raskin (challenging)

by Sharon Creech

by Elizabeth George Speare

Enjoy your summer vacation and Exercise Your Brain!

May the Lord keep you safe and I look forward to seeing you in September!