



2021/2022 Incoming 5th Grade  
**Summer Reading Requirement**

Dear Incoming 5th Graders,

We look forward to getting to know you as you begin your middle school experience in August. It all starts this summer as you complete the following reading requirement:

You are to choose **two** novels to read. One of the novels should center around the theme of **“overcoming obstacles in our lives”** and one is a novel of your choice. We have provided some suggestions for overcoming obstacles, but please don't feel limited by this list. *Rain Reign* by Ann Martin; *Wonder* by R.J. Palacio; *Fish in a Tree* by Lynda Mullaly Hunt; *Out of My Mind* by Sharon Draper; *New Kid* by Jerry Craft; and *The Last 5th Grade of Emerson Elementary* by Laura Shovan.

During the first week of school, you will work to complete several activities based on your novel, so all reading must be completed by the first day of school.

Fifth grade is all about choice, so find some great stories to become engrossed in and have a wonderful summer.

Happy Reading,

Ms. Eckstein and Mrs. Luther