

**ST. PAUL LUTHERAN SCHOOL**

**Dear Parents of 3<sup>rd</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Students:**

There is **required summer reading** for 3<sup>rd</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> grade students. The Language Arts teachers will begin the 2022-2023 school year with a class discussion of the novel(s), and an assigned written response will serve as a baseline writing sample for each student.

**The list is as follows for students entering:**

**3<sup>rd</sup> grade** Read either **Like Bug Juice on a Burger** by Julie Sternberg or **Here's Hank: Bookmarks are People Too!** by Henry Winkler and Lin Oliver

**4<sup>th</sup> grade** Read **Because of Winn Dixie** by Kate DiCamillo (small supply in office) If your child has already read this book, he/she should read **Manatee Blues (Vet Volunteers)** by Laurie Halse Anderson

**5<sup>th</sup> grade** Read any book by Andrew Clements (other than **Frindle**)

**6<sup>th</sup> grade** Read **Gifted Hands, Revised Kids Edition: The Ben Carson Story (ZonderKidz Biography)**, then one book by either author: Gary Paulsen or Jennifer A. Nielsen

**7<sup>th</sup> grade** Read **The Westing Game** by Ellen Raskin and **Walk Two Moons** by Sharon Creech

**8<sup>th</sup> grade** Read **The Pigman** by Paul Zindel (provided) and **The Light in the Forest** by Conrad Richter (provided). Students will need to take the AR tests for both on August 18, 2022. 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade have a small supply of books available in the school office.

We hope you enjoy your summer and that reading is an active part of your vacation time.

In His Service,

James K. Richards  
Principal

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