

Dear Parents & Guardians,

June 7, 2022

As we cross the finish line to the end of the school year and begin switching gears to "Summer Mode", I wanted to reach out and provide summer reading information and assignment. I am a firm believer that students and parents need a break during the summer, time to rest, recharge, and have fun! However, many research studies have shown that students can lose up to 30% of their learning during the summer months. So, while it is important to take a little break, it is also necessary to keep the brain engaged academically. This work should be meaningful, age and developmentally appropriate, and most importantly, aligned with standards. Students should also continue working in the online program "Imagine Learning". It is recommended that they complete 45 minutes a week.

Below you will find a list of three choices and attached is a "Book Review" paper. Your child should choose one of the listed books, read it and complete the book review. The review will be collected in the first week of school in September. (The assignment will also be posted on my classroom page on the Saint Jerome website.)

Thank you and have a great summer!

-Mrs. Lockwood

8<sup>th</sup>- "Night" by Eli Wiesel "The Boys Who Challenged Hitler" by Phillip M Hoose "The Family Romanov" by Candance Fleming

7<sup>th</sup>- "I Will Always Write Back" by Martin Ganada "Flipped" by Wendelin Van Draanen "Number the Stars" by Lois Lowry

6<sup>th</sup>- "The Chance to Fly" by Ali Stroker "The Giver" by Lois Lowry "The Egypt Game" by Zilpha Keatley Snyder