



KZV's Summer Reading Program

Summer of 2021



Dear Parents,

Once again, we will be requiring summer reading by our KZV students. By reading during the summer, students will remember and use the skills they have acquired during the school year. This program will give students the opportunity to read and share their ideas or projects when they return for the new school year.

Each child will receive the following information and materials for the summer reading program:

1. a required reading list
2. a recommended reading list,
3. a summary form or project sheet (if any), and
4. a reading log.

REQUIRED READING FOR ALL GRADES:

Grades 1-4: Students in grades 1-4 are **required** to read three **(3)** books

Grades 5: Students in grade 5 are **required** to read two **(2)** books.

Grades 6-8: Students in grades 6-8 are **required** to read one **(1)** book.

Each student who fulfills this requirement will receive a certificate and a grade for participating in this program. Students who do not complete this requirement can expect to lose points on their first quarter English grade.

ADDITIONAL SUMMER READING TO RECEIVE FREE DRESS PASS:

In order to receive a free dress pass, students should:

- Grades 1-2: read an additional five **(5)** books from the recommended list + the required Armenian book
- Grades 3-8: read an additional two **(2)** books from the recommended list + the required Armenian book.

Parents and students may record the names of the additional books read on the attached reading log. Parents will sign the reading log to verify that their child has read the books.

The reading log and any projects (book reports, summaries, etc.) required by the teacher is due on **Friday, August 20, 2021**. Teachers may also give class work or quizzes upon return to school, so students need to be prepared to discuss and respond to questions about their books.

Books are available at your local library, bookstore or online. Thank you in advance for your cooperation. Have a wonderful summer!



Sincerely,
The English Language Arts Department

Incoming Seventh Grade
Summer Reading

Welcome to 7th grade! Here is your required summer reading homework.

This year's required reading is **The Silent Boy by Lois Lowry**.

As you read the book, you should keep a dialogue journal for the text that you are reading: You should pick out 4 different quotes that stick out to you and write about each one by answering the questions listed below.

Here are the questions you should address in your write up:

- 1.) Why did you choose to write about this quote? What stands out to you?
- 2.) What does this quote mean to the character(s)? How does it relate to the story?
- 3.) Has there been a time when you felt like this? What did you end up doing?
- 4.) What advice would you give the character regarding the quote?

Happy reading!

Recommended List

Bauer, Joan. **Peeled**. Putnam, 2008. In an upstate New York farming community, high school reporter Hildy Biddle's determination to be a reporter who her father would have been proud of finds herself pitted against psychics and unexplained phenomenon.

Bloor, Edward. **Tangerine**. Harcourt, 1997. Twelve-year-old Paul's family revolves around his football-hero brother, and fails to notice Paul as he fights for the right to play soccer after his bad eyesight disqualified him.

Flinn, Alex. **Beastly**. HarperTeen, 2007. Kyle Kingsbury, a vain, spoiled private school student who judges others by their appearances, is turned into a frightening monster by a girl he humiliates. In order to break the spell, Kyle must find true love.

Carbone, Elisa. **Blood on the River: James Town 1607**. Viking, 2006. Young orphan Samuel Collier boards a ship bound for the New World, where he encounters hardship, adventure and danger serving as Captain John Smith's page.

Carey, Janet Lee. **Dragon's Keep**. Harcourt, 2007. In 1145 A.D., as foretold by Merlin, fourteen-year-old Rosalind, who will be the twenty-first Pendragon Queen of Wilde Island, has much to accomplish to fulfill her destiny, all the while from her people the dragon's claw she was born with that reflects a dark secret.

Chima, Cinda Williams. **The Wizard Heir**. Hyperion, 2007. Sixteen-year-old Seph McCauley is sent to the Havens, a boys' school in Maine, after being kicked out of several private schools for his untrained magical powers; but his headmaster, Gregory Leicester, has his own mysterious agenda when he agrees to help Seph channel his magic.

Dessen, Sarah. **That Summer**. Speak, 2004. As her parents divorce and her sister gets married, teenage Haven finds herself out of place. combination of unforgettable characters and unexpected events generates hilarity as well as warmth.

Doyle, Marissa. **Bewitching Season**. Henry Holt, 2008. It is time for Persephone and Penelope, age 17, to be presented at court in London and to meet Princess Victoria, when they suddenly get catapulted into a romantic adventure involving their governess (a magician tutor), and a sinister Irish magician.

Eulberg, Elizabeth. **Prom and Prejudice**. Point, 2011. Eulberg retells Jane Austen's still popular tale of class, love, and danger both emotional and physical. A delightful coming-of-age story about learning to define yourself without shutting the door on love

Horowitz, Anthony. **Nightrise**. Scholastic, 2007. After telepathic twins Jamie and Scott are attacked by the evil Nightrise Corporation, one of them is imprisoned while the other escapes, left to fight with the other three gatekeepers against the evil Old Ones in order to save his sibling and prevent the destruction of humanity.

London, Jack. **The Call of the Wild**. First published 1931. Buck, half-St. Bernard, half-Scottish sheep dog, is stolen from his comfortable home in California and compelled first to become a sledge dog in the Alaskan Klondike and then to fight for his survival in a pack of wolves.

Lupica, Mike. **Heat**. Philomel Books, 2006. Pitching prodigy Michael Arroyo is on the run from social services after being banned from playing Little League baseball. Rival coaches doubt he is only twelve years old, but he has no parents to offer them proof.

Tolkien, J. R. R. **The Hobbit, or There and Back Again**. First published 1937. Bilbo Baggins, a respectable, well-to-do hobbit, lives comfortably in his hobbit-hole until the day the wandering wizard Gandalf chooses him to take part in an adventure from which he may never return.

