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REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Dear Parents of Rising 7th and Rising 8th Graders!

Here are the Summer Reading Assignments for the 2019-2020 School Year – Rising 7th and Rising 8th

(Two assigned books with a project or essay for each, **plus** one book of student's choice from approved reading list on http://www.reading-rewards.com/)

6th Grade-Rising 7th Grade (all students)	**7th Grade-Rising 8th Grade (all students)**
ASSIGNED BOOK: *The Wednesday Wars* by Gary Schmidt (historical fiction, contemporary); book will be provided but must be returned in the fall. WRITING PROJECT: ESSAY on what is YOUR Wednesday War, three paragraphs, intro-body-conclusion, typed, double-spaced, proper heading (see rubric)	ASSIGNED BOOK: *Rebound* by Kwame Alexander (realistic fiction, novel told in verse, contemporary); book will be provided but must be returned in the fall. WRITING PROJECT: ESSAY on comparing and contrasting *Rebound* to *The Crossover*, three paragraphs, intro-body-conclusion, typed, double-spaced, proper heading (see rubric)
ASSIGNED BOOK: *The Old Man and the Sea* by Ernest Hemingway (historical fiction, parable, adventure, classic); book must be purchased (used or new). CREATIVE PROJECT: TRAVEL BROCHURE (6-panel, 8-1/2x11 landscape, trifold) on Havana, Cuba, featuring deep sea fishing (see rubric)	ASSIGNED BOOK: *The Pearl* by John Steinbeck *(*historical fiction, parable, classic); book must be purchased (used or new). CREATIVE PROJECT: TRAVEL BROCHURE (6-panel, 8-1/2x11 landscape, trifold) on La Paz, Mexico, featuring pearl diving (see rubric)
For all Rising 7th and Rising 8th Grade Students: One additional book of your choice from the required reading list on http://www.reading-rewards.com/.	

Any questions over the summer regarding these projects or the reading assignments may be e-mailed to Mrs. Ardillo at michelle.ardillo@stjuderockville.org. I will be checking my email regularly! Have a great summer, and remember, read-read-read!!!

Dear Parents and Guardians.

Your child has been set up on Reading Rewards. Here are the account details:

URL: http://www.reading-rewards.com. Click on the Log In link

GETTING STARTED ON READING REWARDS

1. Go to https://app.reading-rewards.com
2. Click on the Log In link.
3. Enter in your username (hint: your 1st initial and last name, you may need your middle initial, or last two digits of your graduation year) and password (Upper case first initial of your last name and your student ID/Scantron number number).
4. Click on Booklist:
    - scroll down and click on Recommended Book Lists
5. What kind of book lists would you like displayed
    - Click on List Compiled for Your Group
6. Select a book list to display
    - Select book list from your **current** grade (grades 4, 6 and 7 have a Required Book list and a Reading Challenge list)
7. Click on cover of book for more details about the book. Once you have decided on a book to read. Get this book from your public library, Barnes and Noble, or from Amazon.
8. Go back up to top tabs and Click on Reading
9. Click on the My Reading Log tab.
10. Select a book from the drop down list
11. Enter your reading date and time. Every time you read, enter the number of minutes you read into Log Reading Time!
12. Click SAVE
13. That's it! You have logged your reading time. If you said you finished your book, you will be asked to review it. Doing so gives you bonus RR Miles!
14. Your account requires validation by a parent or guardian; they will get an email asking them to validate your reading. Make sure they check their spam folder and add notifications@reading---rewards.com to their contacts!
15. **Students entering 5th and 6th grades must go to the Quizzes tab and click on the quiz for their grade. All questions must be answered on the website.**