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Dear Parents and Students of the Incoming 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Class of MS67,

We would like to welcome all of you to our Summer Reading Program. The following **two** selections must be read over the summer, as you will be assessed on their content in the beginning of the school year. Your ELA teacher will provide you with the specific date of the assessment.

1. Temple Grandin: How the Girl Who Loved Cows Embraced Autism and Changed the World by Temple Grandin.
2. Marley, A Dog Like No Other: A Special Adaptation for Young Readers - John Grogan

In addition, you may choose to strengthen your reading skills and strategies by reading from a variety of other recommended selections. Try to vary your reading selections between fiction and nonfiction.

Some suggested titles include:

- *Sixth Grade Secrets* by Louis Sachar
- *The Westing Game* by Ellen Raskin
- *Holes* by Louis Sachar
- *Stargirl* by Jerry Spinelli
- *Coraline* by Neil Gaiman
- *Punished* by David Lubar
- *A Single Shard* by Linda Sue Park
- *Travel Team* by Mike Lupica
- *Hatchet* by Gary Paulsen
- *Hoot* by Carl Hiaasen
- *The View from Saturday* by E.K. Konigsburg
- *The Tale of Despereaux* by Kate DiCamillo
- *The Phantom Tollbooth* by Norton Juster
- *The Last of the Really Great Whangdoodles* by Julie Andrews Edward
- *The Lightning Thief* by Rick Riordan
- *Freak the Mighty* by Rodman Philbrick
- *Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH* by Robert C. O'Brien
- *Bud, Not Buddy* by Christopher Paul Curtis
- *Notes From a Liar and Her Dog* by Gennifer Choldenko
- *Knots in My Yo-yo String* by Jerry Spinelli

At MS67, we expect students to read 60 minutes a day throughout the school year. Therefore, it is important to start good reading habits early by practicing during the summer.

The teachers and I wish you an enjoyable and safe summer. We look forward to working with you in September.

Sincerely,

Anthony Rizzo  
Assistant Principal, ELA