

**June 2018**

**E-2 Summer Reading Assignment**

Dear Parents and Students,

As you know it is important to practice any skill that you would like to improve. Reading is no exception. The elementary years are the most important time for students to develop reading skills through reading practice. This helps develop reading speed, increase vocabulary, and enhance reading comprehension. These skills have an effect on all other areas of study. We recommend an hour of sustained reading daily. It is highly recommended to set aside family time to read together.

Your summer assignment is:

**\*Fourth graders** are to read *Dear Mr. Henshaw* by Beverly Cleary. Attached find the Literature Circle Preparation Sheet. This will prepare fourth graders for the **in class** discussion in a Literature Circle.

**\*Fifth graders** are to read *Bud, Not Buddy* by Christopher Paul Curtis. Attached find the Literature Circle Preparation Sheet. This will prepare fifth graders for the **in class** discussion in a Literature Circle.

You may purchase these books at a bookstore or check them out from the local library. Students should be prepared to hand in the Literature Circle Preparation Sheet on the first day of school, Monday, August 20<sup>th</sup>.

Students are encouraged to read each day at home during the summer and the school year. Please refer to the summer packet letter for more information about our reading program.

Have a great summer and don't forget to READ! If you or your parents have any questions you can e-mail Jayne Cobb [jccmet@aol.com](mailto:jccmet@aol.com) or Susan Rouwhorst at [srouwhorst@centermontessori.org](mailto:srouwhorst@centermontessori.org)

Sincerely,

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