Summer Reading Grade 6

One of the most important ways to keep students' minds active over the summer break is to read good books. As your child prepares for 6th grade, he/she should read four (4) books.

*The first reading book is the award-winning *Hoot* by Carl Hiaasen. It is a humorous and exciting story about a group of kids who discover the meaning of friendship and their ability to make a difference in the world. Copies of the book *Hoot* will be available in the Midland Park Library and many other area libraries. Should you wish to purchase your own copy, they are available in bookstores and online.

*The next three books are the student's choice. You may pick titles from the suggested summer reading list, or find books on your own.

Be sure assured that this reading is an effort to maintain skills and create lifelong readers. It is very helpful to plan ahead and blend reading into your summer activities.

Another option for your reading this summer is to join the NewsELA summer reading club. You many use this option for **two** of the reading assignments. Be sure to read *Hoot* and one other full length fictional story. Refer to the link below:

[NewsELA Summer Reading Club](#)

*Try to avoid the following titles as they are part of sixth grade curriculum: *The Cay, Holes, The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe, The Mysterious Benedict Society, Bull Run*

Print four copies of the graphic organizer on the next page and have your child fill it in for each of the books they read. The purpose of the organizer is to help them recall essential story elements which will be used in class upon their return to school. If you decide to use the NewsELA option you will only need two copies of the organizer.

If you have any questions about the summer reading assignment, please email aedwards@mpsnj.org and pgalasso@mpsnj.org

The reading log below will help manage your summer reading time.

Reading Log

Title/Author	Date started	Date completed
Hoot by Carl Hiaasen		

Title/Author
Setting (where/when)

Main Characters (list names and 3 important details about them)
Main Conflict (the problem in the story)
Plot (short summary of plot details)
Resolution (how was the problem in the story solved)
Theme (the moral or lesson learned such as "love conquers all")
Favorite part of the story. Explain.