**Incoming Sixth Graders**

**Summer Reading 2020**

**All rising 6th graders must read** **2 mandatory books.**

**-The first MUST be:**

\**Fish in a Tree* by Lynda Mullaly Hunt

**-For the second, students must choose one of the following:**

*\* Number the Stars* by Lois Lowry

*\*The Penderwicks* by Jeanne Birdsall

\* *The Seventh Most Important Thing* by Shelley Pearsall

*\*The Mighty Miss Malone* by Christopher Paul Curtis (Newberry medal winning author)

**\*\*All students will also pick and memorize a poem to be shared in English class when we return.\*\***

**It is optional to read other selections listed below (or the selections not chosen from the mandatory list). You are encouraged to read as many as possible**!

**Suggested books:**

*Three Times Lucky* by Sheila Turnage (2013 Newberry Honor)

*The One and Only Ivan* by Katherine Applegate (2013 Newberry Medal)

*Moon over Manifest* by Clare Vanderpool (2012 Newberry Medal)

*Wonder* by R.J. R. J. Palacio

*Almost Home* by Joan Bauer

*The 100 Year Old Secret* (Sherlock Files) – Tracy Barnett

*The Magician’s Elephant* by Kate DiCamillo

*Wonderstruck* by Brian Selznick

*The Mysterious Benedict Society* (Series of books) by Trenton Lee Stewart

*The Impossible Rescue: The True Story of an Amazing Arctic Adventure* by Martin W. Sandler

*11 Birthdays* by Wendy Mass (Black Eyed Susan Award 2010-2011)

*Chomp* by Carl Hiasson (Dorothy Canfield Fisher Children’s Book Award)

*The Whole Story of Half* *a Girl* by Veera Hiranandani (Dorothy Canfield Fisher Children’s Book Award)

*Roll of Thunder Hear My Cry* by Mildred D. Taylor

*How To Steal A Dog* by Barbara O’Connor

*The Wish Giver*: *Three of Coven Tree* by Bill Brittain

*Dewey : The Small-Town Library Cat Who Touched the World* by: Bret Witter

*Crash* by Jerry Spinelli

*The Wonderful Wizard of Oz* by L. Frank Baum

*Chasing Vermeer* by Blue Balliett

*The Lightning Thief* (or any in the Olympians series) by Rick Riordan

***Nim's Island*** by Wendy Orr

Turn over for more🡪

[*The Invention* *of Hugo Cabret*](http://www.scholastic.com/teachers/redirect_by_legacy?type=work&legacy_id=4534)  by [Brian Selznick](http://www.scholastic.com/teachers/redirect_by_legacy?type=contributor&legacy_id=3180&cw=true)

*Mr. Popper's Penguins* Atwater, Richard

*The Mother-Daughter Book Club* [Heather Vogel Frederick](http://www.amazon.com/Heather-Vogel-Frederick/e/B001IO9IAK/ref%3Dntt_athr_dp_pel_1)(or any other in the series)

*My Side of the Mountain* by Jean Craighead George

*Mars 3D: A Rover’s Eye-View of the Red Planet* by Jim Bell

*Wringer* by Jerry Spinelli

*Shadow* by Michael Morpurgo

*Penny from Heaven* by Jennifer L. Holm (Newberry Honor book)

Any book in the *Harry Potter* series by J.K. Rowling