

# Newsflash ~ New Summer Reading

Dear Fifth Graders,

I LOVE to read!!! I plan to read as often as I am able to this summer; at the beach, on vacation in Vermont, and sitting on my deck. For my summer vacation, there's nothing I enjoy more than sinking into the fascinating new world of a wonderful book!

I hope that you will read lots of wonderful books this summer as well! As you may remember, every summer there is a reading requirement. Since I want you to enjoy your summer reading requirement, I thought you might have fun choosing **two** novels from the list of books on the required reading list. This may include Shiloh or Wayside School, two previous summer reading choices. You may also choose to read two entirely different books!

When we meet again in September I will be asking you to give an oral book chat about one of your book choices. The second book will be your inspiration to compose a commercial in which you will convince others that they **MUST** read your book! Choose carefully! It's much easier to talk and write about a book because you loved reading it!

While reading, it would be a great idea to write down some things to help you remember the books when we present them in September. I encourage you to write down the names of characters and important settings, as well as a brief summary of the plot. What was the problem in your book and how was it resolved? Doing this will make your job much easier in the fall!

Have a great summer, and happy reading!!!

*Ms. Urban* ☺

