Dear Parents, Guardians and Incoming Fifth Graders,

We are very excited to introduce the summer reading assignment for the incoming 5th grade class. It is a proven fact that students who do not read over the summer lose up to 2 months of reading performance. Our goal is to have each student read several books over the summer. To start it off, the fifth grade language and literature teachers have come together to build a list of books for the students to select from, covering a wide variety of genres. Each 5th grader is to select at least one book from the list to read before the start of school in August 2019. Along with reading the book, we have attached a summary assignment your child should complete and bring to school on Wednesday, August 21st.

Books are available in two ways. The books marked with an asterisk can be signed out from the book box located outside the Woodbury main office all summer. Please only borrow ONE book and be aware that borrowed books need to be returned at the start of the school year. The Shaker Heights Public Library has these as well as the other titles available for your child to check out. We encourage you not to wait until August 1st to locate one of these books.

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Students need to bring the completed summary sheet to school on the first day (August 21st) and if they signed out a book from the Woodbury book box, it will need to be returned as well. Each 5th grade language and literature teacher is using the sheet as part of their instruction.

We are hopeful that reading over the summer will be the start of a successful learning experience as an incoming 5th grader. For additional titles, The Shaker Heights Public Library has put together a wonderful reading list for the students to continue to grow and develop into lifelong learners. In addition you can find suggested titles on the Woodbury Homepage by clicking on the “Reading Lists” link in the left-hand column.

If you have any questions, please contact 5th grade assistant principal Patricia Rashid at rashid_p@shaker.org.

Sincerely,

Woodbury 5th Grade Language and Literature Teachers

Mrs. Brindza     Mrs. DeYoung     Mr. Englander     Mrs. Pincoe
Summer Reading Assignment

Elements of Fiction

Literature provides a vehicle to connect character, setting and theme.

My book is: ___________________________________________

1) The important characters in the story are__________

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2) The setting of the story (time and place) is:_________

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3) The plot (sequence of events) of the story is:

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4) The conflict (problem) of the story is:________________
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5) The climax (or turning point) of the story is:__________
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6) The resolution (solution) to the problem is:___________
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7) The theme (the message/lesson/moral) of the story is:
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