

Welcome to 6th Grade Language Arts at CCLCS !

I hope that your summer is off to a great start!

For your reading this summer, please choose at least **three books** that interest you. Two of these books should be novels and the third a work of nonfiction. The following websites can help you with your selections:

ReadKiddoRead.com (this one is especially good)
www.goodreads.com (middle school book lists)
commonsensemedia.org for all kinds of media suggestions
www.guysread.com

For the first week of school, prepare a little something to share with your classmates. You will be giving a 5-minute presentation about **just one** of your books.

Be creative! Here are some options:

- Review the book for readers.
- Create a poster or collage for your book.
- Record a commercial or advertise the book.
- Write some journal entries relating the book to your own life.
- Perform a skit or recite the most dramatic part of the book with great emotion, costumes, or even with helpers.
- Build a model that depicts something in the book.
- Create a board game, puzzles, codes, maps, etc.
- Prepare a snack that relates to your book and tell us why.
- Make a puppet to represent some aspect of your book.
- Other ideas?

Discuss your ideas for the project with a parent. Let your parent(s) guide you to a really exciting and interesting presentation. If you create another way to present your book that is not listed above, by all means surprise and delight us! Just be ready to present your book during the first week of school.

Please avoid reading the following theme books so they are new and exciting when we start these units: *Seedfolks*, *Where the Mountain Meets the Moon*, and *A Long Walk to Water*.

In the meantime, keep reading and have a great summer. See you in September!

