

Providence Christian Academy

6th Grade Summer Reading

Required Choice Reading

Rising 6th grade students may select and read a book of their choice and be prepared to complete a one page response about it in the first days of school. Please choose a book that:

- A. You have not read before
- B. Is over 150 pages
- C. Will truly be “pleasure reading”

The book can be purchased, checked out from the library, or housed on an electronic device.

Students should prepare for the written response by being familiar with the main characters in the novel as they will be responding about characterization in particular. A copy of the book WILL need to be present for the first few days of school.

Required Reading

In addition to reading the book of choice, rising 6th grade students will also read *Tuck Everlasting* by Natalie Babbitt. This is a great opportunity for students and parents to spend time together reading and discussing this classic novel. We will spend our first days in Literature discussing the story elements for this selection.

Tuck Everlasting Writing Assignment

The frog appears throughout the story. It is Winnie’s first friend and then appears at the end of the novel when Winnie lets it go. Consider the idea that frogs experience a metamorphosis or change in their lifespan. Why might the author have selected the frog as a reoccurring presence in the book? What does the toad represent?

Write a four paragraph essay using two examples from the story to support your answer. The first paragraph should be the introduction with a clear main idea. Paragraphs two and three will be the two examples from the story with support detail, and the final paragraph will be the conclusion, restating your main idea.

Be sure you have a topic sentence in each paragraph, edit your spelling, punctuation and sentence flow, and DOUBLE SPACE (write a line, skip a line) both the draft and final copy . The final copy may be either written in cursive or typed.