

Gurrie 8th Grade Summer Read 2019

Welcome to 8th grade! Next year will be a super-exciting one, and what better way to get ready for it by jumping in with some good books? You probably already have your eye on some books to read this summer, but we also expect you to read at least one of the books listed below. Your first assignment in your English Language Arts class will focus on your choice from this list.

Note: Students who will be in advanced ELA next year MUST read either All-American Boys or Long Way Down, both by Jason Reynolds. We will use these books beginning August 24 and then for two to three weeks afterwards.

You can check these books out from the Gurrie library and the public libraries in Hodgkins and LaGrange this summer, or buy them if you'd like. Most of them come in paperback, and we have let Anderson's BookShop in downtown LaGrange know these are our picks for the summer. Be sure to share the list with your parents and talk about the books with them.

If you have any questions about summer reading, just call the Gurrie office at (708) 482-2720. We'll get back to you as soon as possible.

Happy reading!
Gurrie's English Language Arts Teachers

P.S. And don't forget to add ALL your reading to the Student Reading log at www.studentreading.net, for reading incentives!

Book
<i>Piecing Me Together</i> , by Renee Watson
<i>Scythe</i> , by Neal Shusterman
<i>The Blackthorn Key</i> , by Kevin Sands
<i>The Prince and the Dressmaker</i> , by Jen Wang
<i>The Stars Beneath Our Feet</i> , by David Barclay Moore
<i>Wild Bird</i> , by Wendelin Van Draanen
Advanced ELA students MUST read one of the following:
<i>All-American Boys</i> , by Jason Reynolds
<i>Long Way Down</i> , by Jason Reynolds