

Our Lady of Victory School

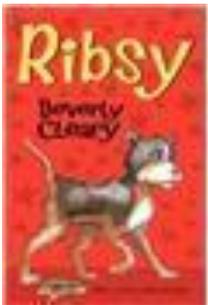
Fifth Grade Summer Reading Assignment

Dear Incoming Fifth Grade Students and Parents,

Research indicates that time spent reading correlates positively with students' performance on standardized tests. Yet, we find that more and more students read less and less. Daily reading like practicing music or sports improves the performance. We all look forward to summer break and time from various activities outside the classroom. Reading not or should not be looked at as a chore and task devoid of fun, but often that is what I hear from students. Reading during the summer will help the students develop vocabulary and give practice to their imagination. I hope the following assignment can be perceived as an enjoyable task and a jumping off point for class when we return in August.

I am asking that three books be read this summer.

- The Giving Tree
By Shel Silverstien
Complete questions sheet in this packet



- Ribsy
By Beverly Cleary
Create a “scrapbook” of three of Ribsy’s adventures with captions
- A book of the student’s choice from the Haislin Reading List which can be found by googling Haislin Reading List and clicking on grade 5. Students will give a brief book talk about the book they choose. Use of a journal or story map is suggested.

This assignment will be due the first week of school and will be the first grades for Reading. Reading is an integral part of education and I suggest students read for at least 30 minutes a day. This can be accomplished with this assignment, magazines, shorts stories, or newspapers.

Neatness and use of cursive is expected and will counted for credit.

I look forward to meeting the students and discussing these books with them this fall. I wish all a peaceful summer.

Sincerely,

Miss Cabral

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Name: _____ Date: _____

THE GIVING TREE

1. Who wrote *The Giving Tree*?
2. Who are the main characters in this story?
3. Name one thing the boy and tree played?
4. What did the tree give the boy so he could make money?
5. What did the tree give the boy to build a house?
6. What did the boy make his boat out of?
7. What did the tree give the boy so that he could rest?
8. Was the tree happy in the end?
9. Did you like this story?
10. What was your favorite or least favorite part of this story?

RIBSY'S SCRAPEBOOK

- ❖ Create a cover page that includes the title, author, publisher, and your own image of Ribsy and your name.
- ❖ Pick three adventures Ribsy finds himself involved in and draw or use pictures from your own adventures this summer. Write captions for each picture that explains where and what is happening to Ribsy.
- ❖ This scrapbook can be completed on printer paper. There must be a minimum of four pages and they must put together in a book form.
- ❖ Extra Credit- Write a one paragraph book review. Rate the book from one to five stars and tell why you gave it this rating.