

**Amesbury Middle School**

**2010 Summer Reading List**



**For Students Entering Grade 6**

**Dear Parents and Guardians,**

**Summer reading should be fun! The sixth grade teachers have designed this packet to encourage students to read all summer long. They are asking students to enjoy reading as many books as possible from this list. The books may be read as part of the Amesbury Public Library's Summer Reading programs that will run from June – August 2010. Included in this packet you will find: a Summer Reading Tips for Parents page, a reading list and a description of the summer reading assessment for incoming sixth graders.**

**Extra copies of this list may be obtained at the Amesbury Public Library, the A.M.S. office, the Superintendent's office and area bookstores. The list and assessment may also be found on the Amesbury Middle School's web site under the following headings: Parent Communications & Poly on the Web or Library. Students are not required to purchase these books as the titles on the list may be found at the Amesbury Public Library.**

**Please help us in our campaign to encourage our middle school students to keep reading all summer long!**

**Sincerely,**

**Michael Curry  
Principal**

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| <b>Avi (Historical Fiction)</b><br><b>Crispin: The Cross Of Lead</b>   | <b>Kadohata, Cynthia (Historical Fiction)</b><br><b>Kira-Kira</b>  |
| <b>Buckley-Archer, Linda (Time Travel)</b><br><b>Gideon The Cutpurse (series)</b>  | <b>Kinney, Jeff (Humor)</b><br><b>Diary Of A Wimpy Kid (series)</b>  |
| <b>Clements, Andrew (Realistic)</b><br><b>The Last Holiday Concert</b><br><b>No Talking</b>                                  | <b>Lawrence, Iain (Survival)</b><br><b>The Wreckers</b>  |
| <b>Colfer, Eoin (Fantasy)</b><br><b>Artemis Fowl</b>   | <b>Lipsyte, Robert (Nonfiction)</b><br><b>Heroes Of Baseball: The Men Who<br/>Made It America's Favorite Game</b>                    |
| <b>Coulombis, Audrey (Realistic)</b><br><b>Getting Near To Baby</b>  | <b>Lord, Cynthia (Realistic)</b><br><b>Rules</b>   |
| <b>Creech, Sharon (Realistic)</b><br><b>Ruby Holler</b><br><b>Love that Dog</b>  | <b>Lupica, Mike (Sports)</b><br><b>Heat</b><br><b>Summer Ball</b><br><b>Travel Team</b>  |
| <b>Di Camillo, Kate (Realistic)</b><br><b>Because of Winn Dixie</b>  | <b>McKay, Hilary (Realistic)</b><br><b>Caddy Ever After</b><br><b>Indigo's Star</b><br><b>Permanent Rose</b><br><b>Saffy's Angel</b> |
| <b>Dowell, Frances O'Roark (Realistic)</b><br><b>The Secret Language Of Girls</b>  | <b>Meyer, Carolyn (Historical Fiction)</b><br><b>Mary, Bloody Mary</b>   |
| <b>Gantos, Jack (Realistic)</b><br><b>Joey Pigza (series)</b>  | <b>Morris, Gerald (Knights/Legend/Magic)</b><br><b>The Squire's Tale (series)</b>  |
| <b>Helgeson, Joseph</b><br><b>Horns and Wrinkles</b>   | <b>Myers, Walter Dean (Biography)</b><br><b>At Her Majesty's Request: An African<br/>Princess In Victorian England</b>               |
| <b>Hesse, Karen</b><br><b>Letters From Rifka</b><br><b>Music of the Dolphins</b>   | <b>Riordan, Rick (Fantasy)</b><br><b>Percy Jackson and the Olympians</b>   |
| <b>Ibbotson, Eva (Fantasy/Magic/Ghosts)</b><br><b>Dial-A-Ghost</b><br><b>The Secret Of Platform 13</b><br><b>Which Witch</b> | <b>Selznick, Brian (Historical Fiction)</b><br><b>The Invention Of Hugo Cabret</b>   |
| <b>Jonell, Lynne (Humor)</b><br><b>Emmy And The Incredible Shrinking<br/>Rat</b>   | <b>Spinelli, Jerry (Realistic)</b><br><b>Crash</b><br><b>Loser</b>   |

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## **Assessment**

**Upon returning to school in the fall, the new sixth grade will be participating in a celebration of reading featuring a campaign for the “best summer read.”**

**Students will be organized into groups based on their reading preferences. There they will discuss their favorite book and brainstorm ways to get others to read or appreciate the book of their choice in the same ways that they did. We encourage you to support your child/children to read at least two or three books from the list provided. On behalf of the sixth grade teachers as well as faculty and staff of the Amesbury Middle School we hope you have a safe, enjoyable, and fun filled summer. Happy reading!**

