

Dear Families,

Congratulations! Your child is on their way to Fifth Grade! In order to best prepare you and your scholar for the upcoming school year, we have attached a list of books that your scholar will not only enjoy, but that will help them when embarking on our Fifth Grade reading material. Each scholar is required to read a book of their choice from the list attached and write a book report that includes the following information: title, author, setting, characters, plot (main idea), summary (what happened beginning, middle and end), and why you liked or didn't like the book. The book report can be typed or handwritten.

Scholars will also be responsible for reading and completing the following:

THE BFG by Ronald Dahl

Assignment: Our Family Dream Jar

Inspired by Disney's film *The BFG*—in theaters July 1, 2016—based on Roald Dahl's novel, a new education program called **Dream the Impossible** sets children like yours on a path to find their own creative voices and dream BIG! Help your children set goals and follow their dreams by creating a Family Dream Jar. After you have made your Dream Jar, take a picture to bring in on the first day of school! Parents can also post on social media with the hashtag #BFGDreamJar.

Directions:

1. Pour your first color of paint into the jar and swirl gently (don't coat the entire inside). If paint seems too thick, loosen it with a couple of drops of water.
2. Repeat Step #1 with additional colors. If needed, use a blow-dryer to help move the paint around.
3. Stand the jar upside down on a piece of newspaper and let the excess paint drip out.
4. Allow at least 24 hours for the jar to dry completely.
5. Write "Dream Jar" on the outside of the jar with colorful glitter glue or craft paint.

Materials:

Large or medium jar
Tempera paint in 3 to 4 different colors
Craft paint or glitter glue
2 big bowls
Sheets of newspaper
Blow-dryer (optional)

Whenever any member of your family has a dream, encourage him or her to write it down and put it in the Dream Jar. Then, at the end of one month, read the dreams aloud with the whole family.

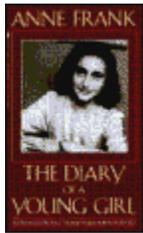
Time Required:

About 30 minutes, plus 24 hours drying time

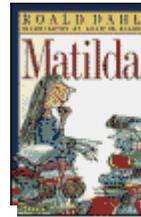
In addition to reading, please work with your scholars on their multiplication fact fluency, division and fractions. Attached you will find a list of 5th Grade common core standards you can use to help prepare your scholar for the upcoming school year.

We look forward to seeing you all in September!

Have a Great Summer!

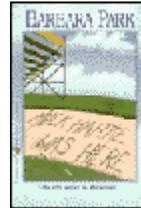


Diary of a Young Girl



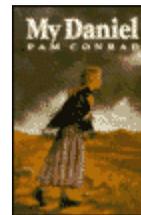
Anne Frank, The
by Anne Frank

Chasing Redbird



by Sharon Creech

Dear Mr. Henshaw
Zelinsky (illus.)



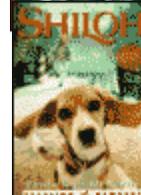
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Selznick (illus.)



by Andrew Clements, Brian

From the Mixed-up Files of Mrs. Basil E.
by E. L. Konigsburg



Frankweiler

Holes



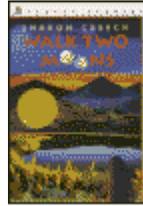
by Louis Sachar

In the Year of the Boar and Jackie Robinson

by Bette Bao Lord, Marc Simont

(illus.)

Island of the Blue Dolphins by Scott O'Dell
by Roald Dahl,



Matilda

Quentin Blake (illus.)

Mick Harte Was Here
by Barbara Park

My Daniel

by Pam Conrad

Number the Stars

by Lois Lowry

Shiloh

by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor

The View from Saturday

by E. L. Konigsburg

Walk Two Moons

by Sharon Creech

