

June 18, 2018

Dear NEW 6th Grader and Parents,

I hope that this letter sets you off on a summer of reading and adventures (they can be the same, you know!). When I met with some of you at the end of school, I mentioned that I wanted you to do some reading this summer.

Summer Reading is a part of the Middle School curriculum and a tradition at The San Francisco School. Summer reading provides a common experience for all 6th graders and keeps everyone reading enjoyable books during the summer months. Read to each other, a friend, a pet, or by yourself. Be sure that you complete the three books (and more!) by the time school begins. You may want to read The Circuit later in the summer as we will be discussing it when school begins. Keep a list of everything you read - I want to see it the first week of school! The assignment is to read the following:

#1 The Circuit: Stories from the Life of a Migrant Child by Francisco Jimenez

In 6th Grade, one of the curriculum threads of study will be about immigration: why people live where they live, and why they would choose to move. To begin to understand some of the issues associated with immigration and the impact on globalization, I want you all to read this wonderful collection of short stories by a local author. I looked online and found that this book is readily available at the public library. You may also check your favorite local (used) bookstore for a paperback copy, or get an electronic book.

#2 A book of your choice! (Librarians and friends who love to read are great resources for good books!)

I read _____

By _____

#3 A book of your choice! (Librarians and friends who love to read are great resources for good books!)

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Have a wonderful time reading! See you soon!

Sincerely,

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