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Dear Students and Families,

Summer vacation is rapidly approaching and so is the time for summer fun, summer sun, and summer reading! Yes, summer vacation is the perfect time to relax and enjoy a good book.

This summer we are asking all incoming TEMS students to read at least one book from the 2013-2018 Nutmeg Nominee Intermediate or Teen lists. We've provided a list of the 2018 Nutmeg Nominees in this packet for ideas; we also suggest you explore the Nutmeg lists from previous years at http://www.nutmegaward.org to find books that capture your interest. We encourage parents to be involved in the selection of appropriate reading material.

In the fall, please be prepared to participate in classroom activities involving your summer reading selection during the first few days of school. It will be advantageous to jot down important information about the book to help with the fall activity (see the attached Summary Organizer).

We are a school of readers. While students are required to read at least one book, we implore you to continue to discover many amazing books throughout the summer months. We look forward to hearing about all of the wonderful books you stumble upon this summer. Enjoy your vacation!

Sincerely,

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Check out the TEMS Homepage at http://www.southwindsorschools.org for Summer Reading information, Nutmeg lists, and more!

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Summary Organizer (Summer Reading 2017)

Book title:
Author:
Main characters:
Setting:
Conflict (problem):
Rising Actions:
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Climax (highest point of suspense):
Falling Action/Resolution: