

## 5th Grade Summer Reading! 2023-2024

Dear future 5th grade families and students,

May 2023

Students entering fifth grade have a summer reading assignment they need to complete before returning back for fall semester. The name of the book for this assignment is Shine! by JJ and Chris Grabenstein. Students have received a school copy of this book. Please take care of the books so that they can be enjoyed by students for years to come! While reading, students need to do each of the following as their summer reading project:

- 1) At least **three brief bulleted notes on each chapter (54 chapters total), labeled and organized by chapter.**
- 2) **A list of the main characters with brief descriptions** of each one.
- 3) Students should also create a **Vocabulary List** made of words that they found within the novel that they thought were challenging (or words that they may not have previously known the definition of). **Students need to collect and define at least 15 words found in the novel** on this vocabulary list. Students may use context clues, a dictionary, or the internet to find and write down the definitions for these words.

This should all help to refresh our memories when using this book in class. **We will be working with this book during the first few weeks of school. This will include taking a final test over the novel within the first quarter.** Please bring all materials to class each day, including your book, notes, vocabulary list and character list. I will be checking everyone's chapter notes, vocabulary words and character list so make sure you do this! **Your notes, your character list, and your vocabulary list should all be stapled together and come to school with you everyday in the fall.**

Have a great summer and happy reading! I cannot wait to see you all in the fall!

Mrs Baillis

