Dear Fifth Grade Students and Parents:

Welcome to Fifth Grade English! This summer, as in summers past, you will be **required** to read three books to fulfill your summer reading obligation. **Students entering 5th grade must complete the reading of the required books by Thursday, August 15, 2019.** The specific guidelines for students entering the 5th grade are outlined below:


2. Read one student-selected, parent-approved **fiction** book. Fiction writing is created from an author’s imagination; fiction is not true even though it may contain real people, places or events.

3. Read one student-selected, parent-approved **nonfiction** book. Nonfiction writing conveys facts, and the author accurately portrays people, places and events.

   Complete your reading by Thursday, August 15, 2019. Recommendation lists of fiction and nonfiction books are provided by the library, but you are not required to select from these lists. The recommendations are available on Wesleyan’s website at [www.wesleyanschool.org/mssummerreading](http://www.wesleyanschool.org/mssummerreading). Complete the written assignment for *Kensuke’s Kingdom only*.

4. Complete the contract indicating that you read the required book and the two other selected books. **Both student and parent must sign the contract.** By signing the contract, parents are approving their child’s selections of chosen books.

5. **Turn in the contract and the written assignment on Thursday, August 15, 2019.**

   The written assignment will be graded for neatness and accuracy. **There will be a reduction in the grade for each day the assignment is late.** A major test over *Kensuke’s Kingdom* will be given during the first month of school; therefore, we suggest that you wait until closer to the start of school to read the required book and complete the written assignment.

   If you have any questions, please e-mail me at tmccarren@wesleyanschool.org during the summer. Have a safe and happy summer and enjoy your summer reading!

Sincerely,

**Terri McCarren**

Your Fifth Grade English Teacher