



Pine Grove Middle School Summer 2020

Dear Students and Parents/Guardians,

We hope this letter finds you well. As the end of the school year draws near, we want to provide you with some resources so that you may continue to practice reading and writing throughout the summer.

We are encouraging all students to participate in PGMS Summer Reading and Writing BINGO. This activity has many purposes. It helps to improve students' reading and writing stamina and confidence and prevent a drop off of skills during the summer. Our hope is that it inspires students to develop a lifelong love of reading and creating. We want to encourage students to read what they love: any genre, any medium, any style. By allowing students to select their own texts we hope students' identities as readers and writers will continue to grow throughout the summer months as they prepare for next year.

PGMS teachers respectfully request you avoid reading any of the following books, as they are part of the curriculum.

6th Grade: • **Academic:** The Cay; My Life in Dog Years; Hatchet; Esperanza Rising; The Lightning Thief; Freak the Mighty • **Advanced Academics:** The Giver; Tom Sawyer; Mythology; The Shakespeare Stealer; One Crazy Summer

7th Grade: • **Standard:** Outcasts United; Fever 1793; American Plague; A Raisin in the Sun/Miracle Worker; Peak; Iqbal; Full Cicada Moon; The Giant and How He Humbugged America • **Advanced Academics:** Fever 1793; American Plague; Parallel Journeys; A Raisin in the Sun; Animal Farm; Iqbal; Hidden Figures

8th Grade: • **Standard:** Seedfolks; The Stars Beneath Our Feet, Roll of Thunder, The Outsiders, Hear my Cry; Walk Two Moons; I am Malala; Refugee; Chasing Lincoln's Killer • **Advanced Academics:** I am Malala; Refugee; A Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass; Midsummer Night's Dream; Dracula; The Princess Bride; Chasing Lincoln's Killer; Killer Angels

Parent Note: We encourage parents to select a book with their child to read this summer. Some books may have content or themes that are not suitable for all audiences. Since we do not know what school will look like when it returns, parents can help us by providing prizes for the bingo winner in their home to motivate and encourage participation.



PGMS Summer Reading & Writing Bingo

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Turn on closed caption on TV and read an entire show. Title: _____ Date Parent Initials _____	Read a book with a one-word title. Title: _____ Date Parent Initials _____	Read a book about a character who is like you. Title: _____ Date Parent Initials _____	Read three books aloud to a younger boy or girl. Date Parent Initials _____	Write about your best day ever. (attach) Date Parent Initials _____
Read two books by the same author. Title: _____ Date Parent Initials _____	Write a poem that was funny or serious. (attach) Date Parent Initials _____	Read for 30 minutes straight without a break. Title: _____ Date Parent Initials _____	Watch a foreign film with English captions. Title: _____ Date Parent Initials _____	Read a biography or autobiography. Title: _____ Date Parent Initials _____
Read to your pet. Title: _____ Date Parent Initials _____	Read a historical fiction book. Title: _____ Date Parent Initials _____	Write a song or poem about something you did this summer. (attach) Date Parent Initials _____	I read a book that is part of a series. Title: _____ Date Parent Initials _____	Read while in a pool/ocean/lake/river. Title: _____ Date Parent Initials _____
Write a new ending to a book I read. (attach) Date Parent Initials _____	Read and write a summary or create one on Flip Grid. Title: _____ Date Parent Initials _____	Read a book with an animal as the main character. Title: _____ Date Parent Initials _____	Read on a beach towel. Title: _____ Date Parent Initials _____	Make a snack/dish using a recipe. Recipe: _____ Date Parent Initials _____

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Read a fantasy or science fiction book.	Read a magazine.	Read with the lights off using a flashlight.	Write a letter to a relative in another city, state or country.	Read song lyrics to favorite song.
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Books are available at:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Destiny in BCPSOne (Digital Content) • Teen Book Cloud in BCPSOne (Digital Content) • Tumble Books in BCPSOne (Digital Content) • BCPL Overdrive (online) • Maryland Book Bank 1794 Union Ave, Balt MD 21211 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bookbub (online) • Project Gutenberg (online) • PDF Book World (online) • International Digital Children's Library (online) • Open Library (online)
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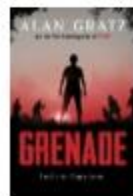
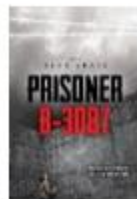
NEED SOME BOOK IDEAS? (Click on link for book information)

Action and Adventure	Mystery and Horror	Fantasy and Dystopia	Historical Fiction
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>The Trials of Apollo, Book One: The Hidden Oracle</i>, by Rick Riordan • <i>Refugee</i>, by Alan Gratz 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Thirteen Days of Midnight</i>, by Leo Hunt • <i>The Night Gardener</i>, by Jonathan Auxier 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>The Girl Who Drank the Moon</i>, by Kelly Barnhill • <i>Maximum Ride: The Angel Experiment</i>, by 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Brown Girl Dreaming</i>, by Jacqueline Woodson • <i>Out of the Dust</i>, by Karen Hesse
Realistic Fiction	Nonfiction	Graphic Novels	If you liked <i>Wonder</i> , try...
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Merci Suárez Changes Gears</i>, by Meg Medina • <i>Ghost</i>, by Jason Reynolds • <i>One Crazy Summer</i>, by Rita Williams Garcia • <i>The Stars Beneath Our Feet</i>, by David Barclay Moore • <i>Inside Out and Back Again</i>, by Thanhha Lai • <i>The Crossover</i>, by Kwame Alexander 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Bomb: The Race to Build—and Steal—the World’s Most Dangerous Weapon</i>, by Steve Sheinkin • <i>Girl Code: Gaming, Going Viral, and Getting It Done</i>, by Andrea Gonzales • <i>They Called Us Enemy</i>, by George Takei • <i>Phineas Gage: A Gruesome but True Story About Brain Science</i>, by John Fleischman • <i>My Life in Dog Years</i>, by Gary Paulsen • <i>Claudette Colvin: Twice Toward Justice</i>, by Phillip Hoose 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>The Prince and the Dressmaker</i>, by Jen Wang • <i>The Life of Frederick Douglass: A Graphic Narrative of a Slave’s Journey from Bondage to Freedom</i>, by David F. Walker • <i>Estranged</i> by Ethan M. Aldridge • <i>Crush</i>, by Svetlana Chmakova • <i>Last Pick</i>, by Jason Walz • <i>Illegal</i> by Eion Colfer and Andrew Donkin 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>New Kid</i>, by Jerry Craft • <i>Anything But Typical</i>, by Nora Raleigh Baskin • <i>Hello, Universe</i>, by Erin Entrada Kelly • <i>Out of My Mind</i>, by Sharon Draper • <i>Tangerine</i>, by Edward Bloor • <i>After Tupac & D Foster</i>, by Jacqueline Woodson

Looking for more?

Try some of these PGMS favorites



Any Alan Gratz novel! Find the e-books through the public library.

Any Jason Reynolds novel! Find the e-books through the public library. Students love the Track series and older students will enjoy *Long Way Down* and *All American Boys*.



Why not try a magazine?

Teen Vogue, Sports Illustrated, and more can be read online for free.

Graphic novels are a big hit at PGMS! Some favorites are:



Raina Telgemeier or Svetlana Chmakova



Jarrett J. Krosoczka

The Olympians series by George O'Connor

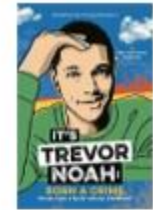




Try a Fantasy series:
 Any by Rick Riordan
 OR Rick Riordan Presents
 Harry Potter
 Children of Blood and Bone
 The Land of Stories
 Maze Runner



Do you like to keep it real?
 Non-fiction books we love are:



We love realistic fiction!



If you haven't yet, joined the [PGMS Library Group](#) on Schoology. Mrs. Bunch has plenty of resources, ideas, and opportunities for fun in her group.

You can also email her at pengel@bcps.org.

The screenshot shows the Schoology interface for the PGMS Library Group. The browser address bar displays bcps.schoology.com/group/2368552859. The navigation bar includes links for dashboard, Assessment and Ru..., Bookmarks, Browse Public Spea..., Christian Amici's (H..., Close Reading, and Close Read. The Schoology header shows the group name, COURSES, GROUPS, RESOURCES, TOOLS, and AMP, along with search, grid, calendar, and notification icons.

The group profile for Patricia Engel-Bunch (Pine Grove Middle) features a profile picture with the word "FUN" and a cartoon character. The left sidebar contains navigation options: Updates, Discussions (5), Albums, Members (1991), Resources, Information, Category, General, and Leave this group.

The main content area shows two updates from Patricia Engel-Bunch:

- Update 1:** "Request your Summer Reads! Choose Discussions in the left menu!" with a "SUMMER READING" graphic. Posted on Mon Jun 8, 2020 at 9:45 am. 6 people liked this.
- Update 2:** "Beginning June 15th, 2020, -we will begin the process of returning student items left at school through drive thru stations. Please mark your calendars for the following days:
GRADE 6: Monday June 15th from 9:00am until 1:00pm
GRADE 7: Tuesday June 16th from 9:00am until 1:00pm
GRADE 8: Wednesday June 17th from 9:00 until 1:00pm (Inclement weather day Thursday, June 18th.)
The front loop...
Show More" with a document icon for "StudentRetrievalDirectionsPGMS.docx 17 KB". Posted on Mon Jun 8, 2020 at 9:34 am. 7 people liked this.

The right sidebar shows "Upcoming" with no assignments or events, and "1991 Members" with a row of member avatars.

