

Dear Parents and Students,

Reading is one of the most important habits one can develop and the one shared most by high achievers. Numerous studies have shown that students who read in the summer perform better in the fall. Therefore, students entering grades 5-8 are being assigned summer reading again this year.

Students entering fifth grade are to read **The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane by Kate DiCamillo**. Books are available for purchase at Barnes and Noble or Amazon.com. Students are permitted to use their Nook or Kindle for this assignment. You may also check this book out from the library; however, students will need to bring the book to class during the first two weeks of school.

As you are reading the book, fill in the comprehension graphic organizer in order to help you comprehend your story. Don't procrastinate? Commit yourself to reading a pre-determined amount of pages per day so that you are not overloaded and overwhelmed with work the last few weeks of summer. Thoroughly complete your reading packet as you go along in the book. You may even want to get together with your friends over summer to form a book club for this book.

Each student is responsible to bring his/her **completed** reading packet and the signed slip below to school the first day back.

Be prepared to discuss and respond to the book both orally and in writing. This will be the focus for the first two weeks of school. There will be a test on the book when we have finished working on it in class.

Please feel free to email with any questions you may have.

Enjoy your reading!

Mrs. McMillan

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My child, _____ has read The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane by Kate DiCamillo during summer vacation. They have completed their summer reading packet as well.

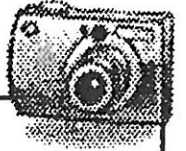
Parent's signature _____ Date _____

Student's signature _____ Date _____

Please return this slip and the completed reading packet by Friday, August 23rd.

VISUALIZATIONS:

Choose your two favorite scenes from the book and draw them below. Use good detail. Color too.



#1)

_____ Pg. _____

#2)

_____ Pg. _____