



# Rocket into Reading

## Rising 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

### Saint James Summer Reading Program

☆ Students are encouraged to read steadily during the summer months. Select enjoyable books at your appropriate reading level that you have not previously read. The Falls Church public library has a summer reading program you may be interested in as well as lists of book suggestions by age and topic. You should read for at least twenty minutes a day.

☆ **This summer, students entering 5<sup>th</sup> grade will:**

1. Read the assigned narrative poem: *Love That Dog* by Sharon Creech. If you have already read *Love That Dog*, read it again. You will need to have a copy on the first day of school.
2. Over the summer, find a poem that you like and bring it to school on the first day. You can Xerox a copy of the poem, or write it out in your neatest cursive, or type it.
3. Write a reaction to the narrative poem. After you finish the book, just write down your thoughts about it. This only has to be one to three paragraphs. There is no right or wrong way to do this. If you need help, here are some things to consider. Did you like the book? Why or why not? What was your favorite part of the book? Explain why. What was your least favorite part of the book? Explain why. Use lined paper. Write in your neatest cursive. Skip lines, write on every other line.
4. Make sure your name is on the paper.

Have a great summer! Read a lot too! Spend time outside! Stay off screens!

