# Saint Theresa Catholic School

## **Summer Reading**

### For Students entering Grade 5

## **Required Reading Assignment:**

Incoming 5th graders will be required to read two books over the summer. All students must read **Wonder,** and book #2 must be chosen from the list below. Parents are encouraged to monitor the reading over the summer.

## Required Book #1

## Wonder by R.J. Placio

The main theme of Wonder is **kindness**. The book demonstrates examples of **kindness**. When the student finishes the book, they will have an understanding that a **simple** act of basic kindness can make a big difference.

#### Book #2

Free choice from the list of classics below. The student will take an AR test the 1st week of school and the grade will count as a test score for Literature. **This test will not be counted towards the 1st quarter AR goal points.** 

After reading the required reading assignment books, please complete the following to be turned in to the teacher on the first day of school.

### **Assignment**

Create a cartoon strip using the characters from the book <u>Wonder</u> demonstrating acts of kindness from the story. Word bubbles need to be included. Neatness counts, so please use unlined paper and make sure your writing is legible.

Free Choice book: The first week of school the student will take an AR test. The grade of the AR test will be counted as a test score for Literature out of 100%. **This test will not be counted towards the 1st quarter AR goal points.** 

## **Book #2 Readings: Choose one of the following.**

## **Easy Reading**

Number the Stars by *Lois Lowry* Harriet the Spy by *Louise Fitzhugh* 

## **Grade level Reading**

Maniac McGee by *Jerry Spinelli* Esperanza Rising by *Pam Munoz Ryan* Holes by *Louis Sachar* 

## **Challenging**

The Phantom Tollbooth by *Norton Juster*Secret Garden by *Frances Hodgson Burnett*The Borrowers by *Mary Norton*