



## Farragut Middle School

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Dear Incoming Sixth Graders:

Congratulations on your entry into sixth grade! As you know by now, reading is extremely important as you develop into life-long learners. To demonstrate the value we place on reading, the sixth grade language arts teachers ask that you complete a reading assignment over the summer.

We encourage you to read a variety of books over the summer; however, **you are required to read the novel Absolutely Normal Chaos by Sharon Creech**. This novel is full of memorable and funny characters and a plot that brings their lives together in surprising ways. When you return to school, you will be discussing this book and will be asked to respond to it through various exercises. These exercises will form an important part of the class work in the first weeks of school. Therefore, **Absolutely Normal Chaos** should be read by Tuesday, September 8, 2009.

Attached to this letter is the sixth grade suggested reading list. In addition, there is a reading log on which you should list any other books you read this summer. Please have a parent or guardian sign this log and bring it to your language arts teacher on Tuesday, September 8.

Have a great summer! See you in September.

Sincerely,

The Sixth Grade Language Arts Teachers