

# 6th Grade Summer Reading 2015

## Our Lady of Sorrows School

Upcoming 6<sup>th</sup> grade students will be **required** to read **one** selected book and complete a book report form available online, <http://www.olsschool.com/>. Sign up for the summer reading program at your favorite public library and enjoy hot summer days with good books. ☺  
( <http://jclc.org/> ) Happy reading! Mrs. Blair

### **Required Reading for 6th grade (choose one)**

#### **Out of the Dust** by Karen Hesse

Journal writing is so honest and revealing. Fourteen-year-old Billie Jo takes us back to a simpler time, Oklahoma in the 1930s, when farmers prayed for rain and dust storms “piled up like snow”. Money is tight. Her mother is pregnant. Billie Jo spills out both her worries and joys in this heartfelt story.  
(Newbery Honor book)

#### **Cosmic** by Frank Cottrell Boyce

Liam has always been big, but it has its drawbacks. On the first day of middle school the principal mistakes him for a new teacher. When he visits a car dealership, he’s given the keys to a Porsche for a test drive. But it’s a sweet deal when he tricks his way on to the first civilian trip to the moon. Join Liam and the kids he’s “chaperoning” as they rocket into outer space! It’s a crazy and hilarious ride.

#### **The Mysterious Benedict Society** by Trenton Lee Stewart or **The Mysterious Benedict Society and the Perilous Journey (sequel)**

Mr. Benedict gathers together a group of “gifted children looking for special opportunities” to decipher clues and stop villainy. Action, puzzles, traps, villains, tests, perils...these adventure books connect the dots!

#### **The Phantom Tollbooth** by Norton Juster

For Milo, life is a bore. When a tollbooth mysteriously appears in his room, he drives through only because there is nothing better to do. In the lands beyond, he realizes something astonishing – life is far from dull. In fact, it’s exciting beyond his wildest dreams. (Last year was the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of this classic.)