

INCOMING THIRD GRADERS

You will be reading two books this summer. The first book is *The Trumpet of the Swan* by E. B. White. While reading the story you are to make a list of fifteen vocabulary words from *The Trumpet of the Swan* and define the words. You are to type the vocabulary words and definitions on Google Docs. The Google Docs must be shared with me by September 1st. After reading the story you need to write two paragraphs about why you would or would not recommend the story to a friend. A paragraph needs to contain five sentences. The paragraphs will be due the first full week of Kaleidoscope. You are to type the paragraphs on Google Docs and share them with me. The second paragraph is about if you found any similarities between *The Trumpet of the Swan* and *Charlotte Web*. The books were written by the same author.

The second book is *The One and Only Ivan* by Katherine Applegate. While reading the story you are to make a list of ten vocabulary words and their definitions. The vocabulary words and definitions must be written on a Google Doc and shared with me by September 1st. After reading the story you need to write two paragraphs. Ivan has some opinions about humans. What are at least two opinions that he expresses in the book? Do you agree or disagree with those opinions? On a separate sheet of paper, you are to list (not in full sentences) the character traits of Ivan. Both of these assignments are to be shared as Google Docs.

Students are to keep a summer journal. They are to write fifteen entries. Each entry must be two paragraphs. Each paragraph

needs to have at least five sentences. The students should be adding details and writing descriptive stories. They should be answering the questions; How, Who, Where, When, Why, and What? Students should be using “Rock,” “Strong,” or “Spicy” words. The topics have already been assigned to the students. A notebook was provided to each student. Your child is encouraged to keep writing during the summer. They can write more than fifteen entries. They can add pictures or drawings. The more the students write they will be more prepared for September. If you are new to Kaleidoscope the topics can be found on Google Classroom labeled as Summer Work 2022.