

June 19, 2018

Dear Parents and Students,

The administration and faculty of Bishop McHugh Regional Catholic School believes strongly in the importance of recreational reading to enrich the lives of our students. Therefore, we are pleased to present this year's summer reading assignment. This reading is required with the goal of enhancing and strengthening comprehension, improving decoding skills, and encouraging the simple pleasure of enjoying a good book. Each student in 6th, 7th, and 8th grade is expected to read the books assigned for his/her grade level.

Students entering 6th grade in September 2018 are required to read the following books over the summer break.

- 1) *Freak the Mighty* written by Rodman Philbrick
- 2) **An age-appropriate book of the student's choice. Your son/daughter chose:**

The books have been given to each student. Please return with them in September, or you will be charged a \$4.00 fee.

Students will be assessed to provide specific evidence of completion of this assignment during Language Arts class in September. This assessment will be counted as a major grade on the First Report Card.

Parents, we ask that you support this program by encouraging your child to read the assigned books in a timely fashion. You are welcome to partake and enjoy the reading as well. Reading is not only a skill to be taught and reinforced in the classroom, but a pleasurable experience that should be a part of our lives as lifelong learners. Thank you for your cooperation and support.

Have a great summer and happy reading!

Ms. Votta