WCA winter 2023
5th and 6th Grade Reading Challenge

Happy New Year! It's time to kick off our first reading challenge of 2023! One of our primary objectives for library time in 5th and 6th grade is to help students begin or continue developing a love of reading for its own sake. This is an essential skill of a lifelong learner, and one of the fundamental goals of classical Christian instruction.

The reading challenge encourages students to set a personal goal for their reading lives and strive to meet it each quarter. The challenge is OPTIONAL, although all students are highly encouraged to participate. Each quarter's challenge will have a different emphasis, as well as an opportunity to earn an incentive for completing the challenge by quarter's end.

The Winter 2023 reading challenge is as follows:

Select four genres from the following list and read one book from the WCA library collection from each of those genres:

- **realistic fiction**
- **historical fiction**
- **fantasy**
- **science fiction**
- **biography**
- **nonfiction**
- **magical realism**
- **mystery**

(Students will read a total of four books to complete the challenge.)

Our emphasis this quarter will be on exploring the various genres of literature available in the WCA library. This challenge will encourage students to interact with the WCA collection, and to engage with literary works that might fall outside of their usual reading selections.

The books chosen for this challenge should generally be at least 150 pages and appropriate to the student's grade or reading level. They must be approved by the librarian or a parent. This challenge is designed to be attainable to ALL 5th and 6th grade students, regardless of where they are on their reading journey. The librarian will work with every student to make sure they can find books that suit their reading level and style.

The fall segment of the challenge will run from January 2nd - March 10th, 2023. The incentive for all finishers is an extra recess.

Students should keep track of their progress on the attached log. Parents must initial the log to verify student completion of each book.

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Reading log (Due march 10)

Title	Genre	Parent initial