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Dear Students,

You have all worked very hard this year. I am so proud of you! I wish you all a peaceful, creative, and loving summer.

Over the summer I am asking you to read the assigned Newbery Award-winning book listed below and a novel of your own choosing. After reading the books, kindly write a report for each novel. Please include four paragraphs. The first paragraph should be a summary of the beginning of the book, the second paragraph should be a summary of the middle of the book and the third should be a summary of the ending of the book. The fourth paragraph should be your opinion of the book. Include a cover with the title of the book, the author, and your first and last name.

Here are guidelines for writing the summary paragraphs for the novels. The report must include a description of the main setting/settings, main characters, main problem/problems, and the solution/ending. The last paragraph of the book report is a critique of the book. It should include your opinion. Also, you may include text-to-text, text-to-self, and text-to-world connections if they resonate with you.

Please bring the assigned novel to class on the first day of school. We will be discussing it in our class book clubs during the month of September. There will be a quiz on the novel in the second week of school.

Novel Assignment **Rising Fourth Grade** Assigned Book <u>Abel's Island</u> by William Steig

Rising Fifth Grade Assigned Book <u>The Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler</u> by E.L Konigsburg See You in September! Happy Reading! Love,

Ms. Passarella