



# THE MASTER'S SCHOOL

## English Language Arts: Grade 6 Summer Assignment

As you enjoy your summer vacation, you will need to prepare for entering our wonderful Grade 6 English Language Arts class. This summer the assigned reading for all students entering Grade 6 is *Island of the Blue Dolphins* by Scott O'Dell. You may purchase a copy of this book online or at your local bookstore.

As you read, engage the story as an active reader and be prepared to participate in a graded classrooms discussion during our first week of class. Be prepared, in particular, to contribute and answer questions on characters, major events and themes. I suggest marking your book with post-it notes as you read to keep track of important pages you will want to reference in our classroom discussion. All students must bring their *Island of the Blue Dolphins* book with them to the first day of school.

In addition to reading our class mentor book, *Island of the Blue Dolphins*, you must also select *at least one* free choice book to read before the first day of class. This book may be any genre of your choice, but must adhere to the following guidelines:

- Must be no less than 100 pages in length.
- Must include chapters
- Must be approved by your parent (s)

For students who would like to participate in our summer reading challenge, you may read more than one free choice book. Keep a log of each book you read this summer - including title, author and your personal five star rating. Students who complete our summer reading challenge by reading three or more books this summer will be recognized upon the start of our school year.

Blessings to you this summer & happy reading!