Willow Creek Battle of the Books

Battle of the Books Literacy Club will return to Willow Creek for 4th and 5th grade students in the coming school year. The Battle of the Books Literacy Club is designed to encourage elementary students to:

- Read quality literature.
- Read in their leisure time.
- Read for information as well as pleasure.

By choosing to participate in this club, your child will be introduced to a variety of fiction and non-fiction books.

Fourth and fifth grade students are given the opportunity to participate in the Battle of the Books Literacy Club. Students of all reading levels are invited to participate. Students read at least seven titles from the attached book list. Many of the books are award-winning pieces of literature. Willow Creek Library as well as the public libraries have copies of the books for check out. Also, Willow Creek’s Book Fair will carry copies of many of the titles for purchase. Students are highly encouraged to begin reading the titles this summer.

Once school resumes, students will participate in after school book club study sessions supervised by Mr. Long and Ms. Tokarchik. Book club sessions are to be determined but will be held August through March. During book club study sessions, participating students will work collaboratively to discuss the books and respond to questions about plot, characters, setting and theme.

At the end of the book club study sessions, student teams will compete against one another at the Willow Creek Battle of the Books competition. The student team that wins the Willow Creek Battle of the Books competition will compete in the Cherry Creek District Battle of the Books semi-final competitions and possibly final competition against students from other Cherry Creek elementary schools.

Students interested in participating in this club can begin reading from the attached book list as early as this summer, though summer reading is not a requirement. Official sign up for club participation will take place in August. We are looking forward to a fun and memorable next year of reading for Willow Creek students.

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Among the Hidden by Margaret Peterson Haddix
The Boys in the Boat* by Daniel James Brown
Chasing Vermeer by Blue Balliett
El Deafo by Cece Bell
Extra Credit by Andrew Clements
Gregor the Overlander by Suzanne Collins
Inside Out and Back Again by Thanhha Lai
Marshfield Dreams: When I Was a Kid by Ralph Fletcher
Matilda by Roald Dahl
The Mighty Miss Malone by Christopher Paul Curtis
A Night Divided by Jennifer A. Nielsen
Peak by Roland Smith
Rules by Cynthia Lord
The White Giraffe by Lauren St. John
The Wishtree by Katherine Applegate

*YOUNG READER’S ADAPTATION

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