

# Book Recommendations

Summer reading for students going into 6<sup>th</sup> grade.

- *The Outsiders* – S. E. Hinton
- *Winger* – Jerry Spinelli
- *Bridge to Terabithia* – Katherine Paterson
- *Esperanza Rising* – Pam Munoz Ryan
- *The Homework Machine* – Dan Gutman

## Book Project Ideas

**Movie Poster:** Create a movie poster on a large sheet of construction paper that shows your favorite scene of the book. The book title, author, and main characters must appear. You will also need to include one sentence that will lure the audience to want to read this book on the poster. Along with the poster you are to write a brief summary (5-7 sentences) of the scene you have selected.

**Time Capsule:** This report should provide those people who live at a future time with reasons your selected book is such an outstanding book, and give those “future” people reasons why it should be read. Make a time capsule-type of design, and neatly write your reasons inside the capsule. You need to give at least five good reasons as to why this book should be read.

**Make a Puppet:** Using a variety of materials, design puppets to represent two or three of the main characters from your novel. With each puppet you will need to include a short character study. You will want to describe the character’s physical attributes as well as the character’s personality, behavior, thoughts, and feelings, and what others think of the character.