

## **Entering 6th Grade Summer Reading**

1. Required summer reading:

***My Dog Skip* by Willie Morris** - Students need to bring this book to class with them the first week of school. We will be discussing the book and taking a test.

### **Book Synopsis:**

*My Dog Skip* is a 1995 memoir by Willie Morris about his childhood in Yazoo City, Mississippi, focusing on the deep bond he formed with his Jack Russell terrier, Skip, in the 1940s. The book explores themes of friendship, loyalty, and growing up, detailing the adventures of a shy boy and his dog in a small Southern town, and was later adapted into a popular 2000 film.

The book takes place in 1940s Mississippi and touches on the social divide in the segregated South through the lens of a 1940s childhood.

2. Choose at least one book **that you have not already read** from the list below. You will complete a book report/project on this book when you return to school. You need to bring the copy of the book to class.

### **6th grade summer reading choice books**

***Where the Red Fern Grows* by Wilson Rawls**

***The Giver* by Lois Lowery**

***A Long Walk to Water* by Linda Sue Park**

***96 Miles* by J.L. Esplin**

***The Magician's Nephew* by C.S. Lewis**