

October 28, 2011

Dear Parents,

The Massachusetts Children's Book Award program is a widely known and will respected program dedicated to brining good literature to the awareness of students in 4th, 5th, and 6th grades. The purpose of this program is to engage young readers in literature that is current as well as some great classics.

St. Pius X School is pleased to offer this program to its students. Beginning in November students will meet once a month to discuss the books they have read and to share their enthusiasm for the novels they have chosen to read as part of this program. Many of the authors are well-known in their field. Students will recognize the names of authors whose works they may have previously read.

As students finish a book, they are invited to share their reactions and responses to the book they chose with the rest of the group. Students will need to read a minimum of five books from the 2012 list in order to be eligible to vote for their favorite book from the 2012 list.

We will meet each month on the 2nd Thursday beginning with Thursday, November 10 at 2:30 in the library. Along with book talks, we will also be creating craft projects and other projects to illustrate our books and our love of reading. If you have any questions, please email me at jwerner@spxschool.org. I look forward to engaging children in the love of reading.

Sincerely, Judith C. Werner, M.Ed MCBA Coordinator

Parent signature

Thursday, November	10	
Thursday, December	8	
Thursday, January	12	
Thursday, February	9	
Thursday, March	8*	
*This is the voting session so all that want to vote should make every effort to attend.		
I give permission for_ at St. Pius X School in	n the library on the 2 nd Thursday of e	_ to attend the MCBA program each month.