



HILL TOP  
Preparatory School

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Dear 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Parents,

Summer is coming and with that, comes beaches, sun, and a good summer book. This summer, the students heading into the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grades will be assigned *Bud, Not Buddy* by Christopher Paul Curtis. This book was chosen because its themes are ones that will be taught throughout the year: family, hope and perseverance.

On the next page, you will find a description of the book. On the final page, you will find the reading guide that should be given to your child. It gives a very brief description of the book and provides instructions on the writing assignment that corresponds to the book. We are asking that each student answer all the questions from the reading guide. Each question's response should be a paragraph long. Responses will be due September 14<sup>th</sup>.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at [mcohen@hilltopprep.org](mailto:mcohen@hilltopprep.org).

Sincerely,

Mike Cohen

Middle School Division Head

## **Bud Not Buddy Student Assignment**

Write a paragraph for each of the questions asked from this book.

1. What emotions did this book bring about? Give three emotions, using at least four examples from the book.
2. Would you recommend this book to a friend? Why or why not? Give four examples from the book that supports your answer.
3. Who was your favorite character in this book? Give four supporting reasons you chose the character you did.