

**6th Grade Language Arts Welcome Letter**  
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Dear Students and Families,

Welcome to 6th Grade Language Arts at Pine Hill Middle School! We are thrilled to begin this exciting new school year with your child and look forward to a year full of learning, growth, and discovery. We are honored to guide your child through an enriching language arts experience during the 2025–2026 school year.

Our curriculum is aligned with the new **Georgia Standards of Excellence (GSE)**, which serve as the foundation for all instruction and assessments. These standards focus on four key areas:

1. **Reading Literary and Informational Texts** – Analyzing themes, structures, and textual evidence.
2. **Writing** – Developing arguments, narratives, and informative texts with strong organization and clear purpose.
3. **Speaking and Listening** – Engaging in collaborative discussions and presenting ideas clearly.
4. **Language** – Mastering grammar, vocabulary, and conventions for effective communication.

Throughout the year, students will explore novels, short stories, poetry, articles, and multimedia resources. They'll participate in thoughtful discussions, sharpen their writing skills, and develop critical thinking through engaging projects and real-world connections.

Our classroom is a supportive space that encourages curiosity, creativity, and confidence. We value open communication and look forward to partnering with you to support your child's success.

We encourage you to be involved in our classroom community. If you ever have questions or concerns, don't hesitate to reach out.

Let's make this a memorable and rewarding year!

Warm regards,

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