

Summer Reading 2021

Be a Reading Family and Commit to Summer Reading!

The research says: "Summer reading loss refers to the decline in a child's reading development that can occur during summer vacation when they are away from the classroom and not participating in formal literacy programs" (Allington & McGill-Franzen, 2003). The research is consistent: when children do not read during the summer, the impact of summer reading loss is significant for all. Students who do not read during the summer lose approximately three months of progress. These months accumulate over time and students may continue to fall behind their peers.

Our goal is to keep students reading year round in order to maintain their current reading level. We want to stop the summer learning slide.

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Tails AND Tales



Suggested reading for students entering Pre-Kindergarten

A Big Guy Took My Ball! by Mo Willems

A Hundred Billion Trillion Stars
by Seth Fishman

Another by Christian Robinson

A Sick Day for Amos McGee
by Phillip C. Stead

Bear Came Along by Richard T. Morris

Bedtime for Sweet Creatures
by Nikki Grimes

Big Boys Cry by Jonty Howley

The Big Umbrella
by Amy June Bates and Juniper Bates

Extra Yarn by Mac Barnett

Flashlight by Lizi Boyd

Get Off that Camel! by A.H. Benjamin

Have You Seen Elephant?
by David Barrow

Hey Water by Antoinette Portis

The Little Red Cat: Who Ran Away from Home and Learned His ABC's (the Hard Way) by Patrick McDonnell

The Old Truck
by Jarrett Pumphrey and Jerome Pumphrey
¡Olinguito, de la A a la Z! / Olinguito, from A to Z! by Lulu Delacre

Oops, Pounce, Quick, Run!
by Mike Twohy

Sam & Dave Dig a Hole by Mac Barnett

Skulls! by Blair Thornburgh

This Is The Nest That Robin Built
by Denise Fleming

When's My Birthday? by Julie Fogliano

Windows by Julia Denos

Tips for Families

- Be sure the summer schedule includes trips to the library.
- Encourage your child to talk with you about the books he/she is reading.

Suggested reading for students entering Kindergarten

A Hungry Lion, or a Dwindling Assortment of Other Animals
by Lucy Ruth Cummins

Alma and How She Got Her Name
by Juana Martinez-Neal

Balance the Birds by Susie Ghahremani

Cricket in the Thicket by Carol Murray
Danbi Leads the School Parade
by Anna Kim

The Day the Crayons Came Home
by Drew Daywalt

The Good for Nothing Button!
by Charise Harper

Good Rosie by Kate DiCamillo

I am the Storm
by Jane Yolen and Heidi E. Y. Stemple

If Sharks Disappeared by Lily Williams

If You Plant a Seed by Kadir Nelson

The King of Kindergarten
by Derrick Barnes

Last Stop on Market Street
by Matt de la Pena

My People by Langston Hughes
Parker Looks Up
by Parker Curry & Jessica Curry

Pete the Cat: Rocking in My School Shoes by Eric Litwin

Saturday by Oge Mora

Truman by Jean Reidy

Under My Hijab by Hena Khan

Waiting by Kevin Henkes

Watermelon Seed by Greg Pizzoli

We Found a Hat by Jon Klassen

Who Wet My Pants? by Bob Shea

- Turn off the TV and video games for part of each day. Set aside time throughout the day to share and talk about the books you are both reading.
- Be a model for reading.

Suggested reading for students entering 1st Grade

The Chicken Squad: The First Misadventure by Doreen Cronin

Fox + Chick (series) by Sergio Ruzzier

The Camping Trip, by Jennifer K. Mann

The Day the Crayons Quit
by Drew Daywalt

Honeybee: The Busy Life of Apis Mellifera
by Candace Fleming

In Plain Sight by Richard Jackson

The Iridescence of Birds
by Patricia MacLachlan

Jabari Jumps by Gaia Cornwall

Lift by Minh Lê

Lion of the Sky: Haiku for All Seasons
by Laura Purdie Salas

Melia and Jo by Billy Aronson

My Kite is Stuck! And Other Stories
by Salina Yoon

The Panda Problem
by Deborah Underwood

Penny and Her Song by Kevin Henkes

The Proudest Blue: A Story of Hijab and Family
by Ibtihaj Muhammad with S.K. Ali

Red, A Crayon's Story by Michael Hall

Thunder Boy Jr. by Sherman Alexie

We Are in a Book! by Mo Willems

- Encourage your child to read all types of materials: newspapers, information books, comics, picture books, chapter books, magazines, and poetry, rhymes and even riddles.

Suggested reading for students entering 2nd Grade

Ada Twist, Scientist by Andrea Beaty

The Bad Seed by Jory John

Because by Mo Willems

A Butterfly is Patient
by Dianna Hutts Aston

Can I Eat That? by Joshua David Stein

Charlie and Mouse (series)
by Laurel Snyder

Digging for Words: José Alberto Gutiérrez and the Library He Built
by Angela Burke Kunkel

Flat Stanley's Worldwide Adventures Series by Jeff Brown

Fly Guy Presents (series)
by Tedd Arnold

Goodnight Already by Jory John

I Talk Like A River by Jordan Scott

Inky's Amazing Escape: How a Very Smart Octopus Found His Way Home
by Sy Montgomery

Otis and Will Discover the Deep: The Record-Setting Dive of the Bathysphere
by Barb Rosenstock

Our Friend Hedgehog: The Story of Us
by Lauren Castillo

See the Cat: Three Stories about a Dog
by David LaRochelle

The Sun Is Kind of a Big Deal
by Nick Seluk

The Water Princess by Susan Verde
Illustrated by Peter H. Reynolds

Yasmin (series) by Saadia Faruqi

Your Place in the Universe
by Jason Chin

- Always praise your child's efforts and interest in books.
- You can help prevent reading loss this summer!

Websites to Build Reading Skills and Knowledge

Scholastic Literacy Pro
Scholastic Short Reads | Classlink

iReady MyPath | Classlink

AACPS Summer Programs
www.aacps.org/summer2021

Reading Rockets
www.readingrockets.org/article/391
10 weeks of summer reading adventures for kids.

ReadWriteThink
www.readwritethink.org/parent-afterschool-resources
Parent & After-school resources; leveled by grade (K-12).

Epic
www.getepic.com
Over 35,000 digital texts

Discovery Kids
online.kidsdiscover.com
Discover all the world has to offer.

Starfall
www.starfall.com
Great site to practice literacy skills.

Parent Resources

www.aacpl.net/summer

www.colorincolorado.org/?langswitch=en

www.scholastic.com/parents/

www.pbs.org/parents/

www.todayparent.com/family/fun-and-safe-kids-websites/



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For more information contact the Elementary Reading & Integrated Literacy Office at 410-222-5455

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