

Oxford Center School
2017 Suggested Summer Reading for
Incoming 4th and 5th Graders

Dear Families:

We're happy to offer some suggestions for your child's summer reading pleasure in this brochure. Please encourage your child to read ANYTHING that appeals to him/her whether it's listed here or not. Allowing them to choose books that they will actually read is a great way to help your child become a better reader.

Happy Reading!!!

Mrs. Sharkey

Mrs. Redfern

Encourage your child to write down the title of every book he/she read along with the number of pages in the book.

We will give an extra recess to every class that has at least 75% of students submit a reading log – no matter how many pages they read!!

BUT EXTRA PRIZES WILL BE GIVEN TO ALL 4TH GRADE STUDENTS WHO READ 600 PAGES OR MORE OR 5TH GRADE STUDENTS WHO READ 800 PAGES OR MORE!!

Tips

- ❖ Your child is not too old for read alouds! It builds their vocabulary and listening skills (and it's fun for both of you!)
- ❖ Reading poetry together is especially fun - try taking turns or making a game out of finding other words that would fit into the poem!
- ❖ Be a role model - your children will be excited to see you take time to read (and it will give you some relaxation time)!
- ❖ Audiobooks are a great way to make a long car ride more fun for the whole family!

One Book, One School

2012 World According to Humphrey (Birney)
2013 My Life as a Stuntboy (Tashjian)
2014 Pie (Weeks)
2015 The One and Only Ivan (Applegate)
2016 The Thing About Georgie (Graff)
2017 - ????????

"So please, oh PLEASE, we beg, we pray: go throw your TV set away. And in its place you can install, a lovely bookshelf on the wall."

– Roald Dahl, *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*

Challenge

Take a picture of your child reading over the summer and have him/her bring it to school; we will post them on a bulletin board in the hallway for the whole month of September!

Prizes will be awarded based on creativity and humor!



Challenging Books/Series:

Eragon trilogy (Paolini)
Maximum Ride (Patterson)
Artemis Fowl (Colfer)
Percy Jackson (Riordan)
Land of Stories (Colfer)
I Survived ... (Tarshis)

Favorite Authors:

Mary Downing Hahn
Gordon Korman
Roald Dahl
Dan Gutman
Kate DiCamillo
Lisa Graff



2018 Nutmeg Nominees

Book Scavenger (Bertman)

Fish in a Tree (Hunt)

Gabriel Finley and the Raven's Riddle (Hagen)

Kinda Like Brothers (Booth)

Ratscalibur (Lieb)

The Tapper Twins go to War (with Each Other) (Rodkey)

Took: A Ghost Story (Hahn)

Under the Egg (Fitzgerald)

The War That Saved My Life (Bradley)

A Whole New Ballgame (Bildner)

Award Winners

2017 Nutmeg Award
Roller Girl (Jamieson)

Previous Nutmeg Award Winners
The One and Only Ivan (Applegate)
The Unwanteds (McMann)
Because of Mr. Terupt (Buyea)
Lemonade War (Davies)
Double Identity (Haddix)

Be sure to enjoy the Oxford Public Library's summer program, Build a Better World! (www.oxfordlib.org)