

Summer Reading 2010

We are all looking forward to a relaxing summer but we also know that we have to practice to be our best, whether we are practicing a sport or a musical instrument. Practice also holds true for reading; that is why we have a summer reading expectation: read!

This summer we are not requiring a reading log or calendar. We are, however, providing a suggested list of books. This list comes from our participation with Score-a-Goal in the Classroom. Listed below are other websites that include suggested reading lists and have special summer promotions just for reading.

In addition to the list and resources, take a look at your local library's summer reading program. The theme this year is *Catch the Reading Express*. There are incentive programs, story times and special weekly events available that promote reading and literacy.

Please set aside time each day to read. Depending on the age of your child, you may read with your child or have him/her read to you. Likewise, older children can read to younger siblings. Also, encourage your child to read independently. Reading is a habit worth cultivating!

DEAR Time -- Drop Everything And Read -- is a common classroom strategy to promote reading. This can easily adapt to summer time and the home. In the ideal world, you would set aside time each day for reading. This sounds simple and for some it is. Start out simply and select two days a week as designated DEAR days. Keep the timeframe reasonable and model reading for your children by joining them with a book of your own.

Other summer reading options:

www.scholastic.com/summerreading/parents.htm
Summer Reading Buzz and suggested reading lists and activities

www.barnesandnoble.com/summerreading
2010 Barnes and Noble Summer reading...earn a free book when you read 8 books

Download *Passport to Summer Reading*
Includes suggested reading lists

<http://media.bordersstores.com/pdf/summerreading.pdf>
Borders '10 Summer Reading Double Dog Dare
This program is for students 12 and under. Here's how it works: read 10 books of your choice, record on form, take to store and pick a free book

www.halfpricebooks.com
Feed Your Brain Summer Reading from Tues., June 1 through Sat., July 31, 2010.
This is for students 14 and under...you can earn reading rewards each week!