

Summer Reading Program

Dear Parents,

Reading and writing are very important to students throughout their lifetimes, and summer is a time to retain and improve these skills. I would like to ask each child to spend some time reading and writing this summer so that they will come prepared to jump right in and be ready for school next fall. I encourage students to take part in the summer reading program at the Morton James Public Library. In the past, Scholastic has had a summer challenge www.scholastic.com/summer that you might check out. (Parents should check it out first, so students don't accidentally get into something else.) I have also come up with some activities to make this summer's reading fun while giving your child some choices in what they read.

For reading, each child will have a READO card for the months of June and July. Like Bingo, students should **read to get five boxes in a row**. As the child reads, they should write the section number and book title at the bottom of the sheet. Making an X on the square will help the student to visualize their READO progress. Please make sure that your child is reading books that are appropriate and some that will challenge them a bit. Students preparing for third grade should be reading easy chapter books. Check their STAR level as well for help in choosing books. If they only read picture books, they will not improve or keep their skill level where it should be. However, for some of the boxes, a picture book may be fine. Students are asked to get at least one READO for the month of June and one for the month of July.

Along with the reading, I would like your child to write this summer as well. With this form and the READO cards, students will receive *Read All About It* pages. Each student should **write about at least two events** that they take part in this summer. These could be ball games, picnics, swim meets, Fourth of July events, vacations, etc. Students should write at least **4 sentences** to describe each event and **either draw or attach a picture or photograph** to illustrate it. A few extra pages will be provided or may be photocopied if your child would like to write about more events. These pages will be used next year at school to review the summer events the students took part in.

- Students who complete **one READO for each month (June and July) and two Read All About It pages** will receive a food certificate from a local restaurant and a free homework pass.
- Students who **complete the writing pages and two or more READOs each month** will receive a free T-shirt pass along with the other prizes.
- Any student who scores a **Blackout along with four writing pages** will receive a special award.

Even though I know summer is a busy time, I want your child to be prepared for success in third grade, and think these goals are attainable for all students with a little encouragement from their parents.

Have a great summer!

Mrs. Martinosky

Name _____

Summer Reading Log– June

R	E	A	D	O
1 Read a book about an animal.	2 Read a fiction book.	3 Read a book that has less than 100 pages.	4 Read outside for 15 minutes.	5 Read a book about a famous place.
6 Read a book that has at least 100 pages.	7 Read about a famous person.	8 Read a mystery book.	9 Read 10 pages every day for a week.	10 Read a book about a girl.
11 Flashlight read for 15 minutes.	12 Read a book to a sibling or friend.	13 Free reading choice.	14 Read a chapter book.	15 Read at least 3 articles in a magazine.
16 Read the back of a cereal box.	17 Read 3 books by the same author.	18 Read for 15 minutes.	19 Read a fiction and a nonfiction book about an animal.	20 Read a biography.
21 Read a book about an historical event.	22 Read for 15 minutes in the bathtub. (no water)	23 Read a book about a boy.	24 Read about a Holiday.	25 Read a book of poems.

Write each section's number and the matching book title you read for its activity.

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Use the back of this page to write additional book titles.

Name _____

Summer Reading Log– July

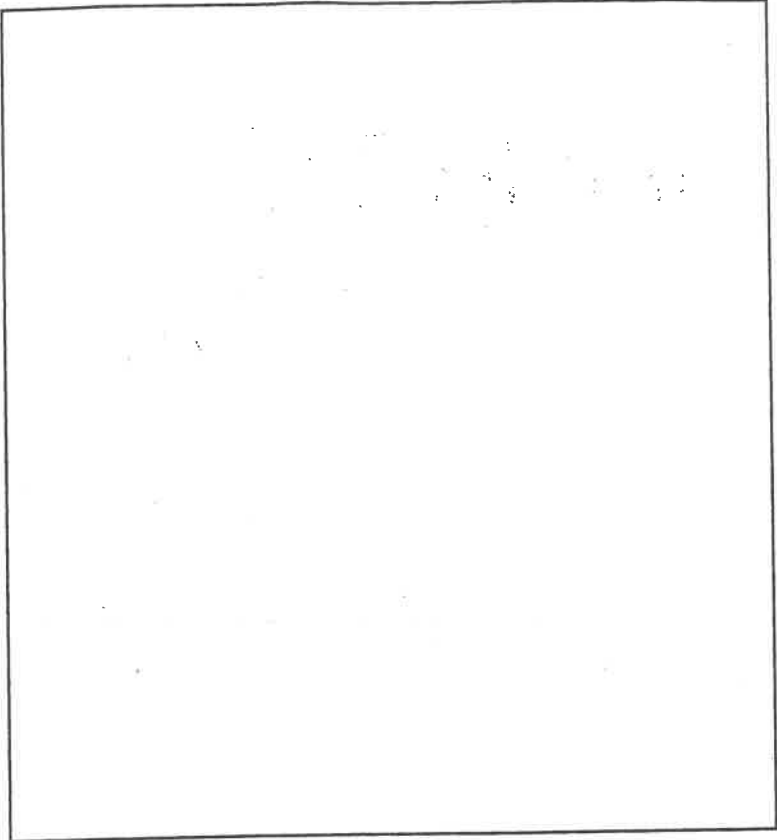
R	E	A	D	O
1 Read-iculous Read in your closet for 15 minutes– with the door open.	2 Flashlight read for 15 minutes.	3 Read a fiction book.	4 Read a mystery book.	5 Read a book of your choice.
6 Read a magazine for 10 minutes.	7 Read about a famous woman.	8 Sweet Dreams Read for 20 minutes at bedtime.	9 Read 10 pages every day for a week.	10 Read-iculous Sit in your yard and read for 20 minutes.
11 Read a book of your choice.	12 Sit under a tree and read. (20 minutes)	13 Free reading choice.	14 Read a book about one of the founding fathers.	15 Read a non-fiction book.
16 Read a book of poetry.	17 Read 3 books by an author you like.	18 Read-iculous Read 3-5 pages in a robot voice.	19 Read a fiction and a nonfiction book about summer.	20 Fun in the Sun Read for 10 minutes in your swimsuit.
21 Read 10 pages to or with someone.	22 Read-iculous Read to yourself in the mirror.	23 Read a book that is 75-100 pages long.	24 Read the newspaper for 10 minutes.	25 Read a chapter book.

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Read All About It!



Event:

By:

Description of the event:
