Summer Reading Ideas

W.W. EVANS & BEAVER-MAIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

This flyer, with many other resources, can also be found on the library webpages.


Bloomsburg Public Library:
http://bloomsburgpl.org
Free library cards for ALL families of BASD students-- check out their summer reading programs!

Columbia County Traveling Library
http://www.cctlibrary.org
Find the visit schedule at the link above. Summer reading program and FREE library cards here, too!

School Resources

Follett Destiny Library Catalog
https://bloomsd.follettdestiny.com

World Book
If you are asked for a user name and password, please use:
UN: bloomwbk, PW: bms1243
School Facebook Pages
W.W. Evans: W. W. Evans Elementary School
Beaver-Main: Beaver-Main Elementary School

E-Books

Epic: http://getepic.com
See http://GetEpic.com/Summer2019 to get 3 months of access to 35,000 books, videos and more for only $3 (requires a subscription-- price after promotion is $7.99/month)

Typing Practice

Grades 3-5: Typing Club  https://wwebm.typingclub.com/
Use your school network username and password to sign in

Use code "red panda" if needed for full access.

Other Reading and Activity Resources

https://bookopolis.com/ (Grades 3-5): Like GoodReads, but for kids! Use your network login
https://abookandahug.com/: Get reading suggestions for your style of reading
http://www.storylineonline.net/: See and hear professional actors read picture books
https://www.storybird.com: make your OWN books!
http://www.readingrockets.org/audience/parents : Reading Rockets Parent Resources
http://bit.ly/2xG4q9t: Scholastic Summer Reading Info and Challenge
Online Tools

Your student has been using a number of online tools this year. To allow them to continue using these tools over the summer, you have been provided with a separate list of usernames and passwords for access.

**Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd Grades**
- **Network user name and password:** please work on helping your student learn these for next school year. It will make using our technology much easier!
- **Google Username and Password:** Students have been using Google Classroom all year. Have them show you what they've done!
- **World Book Username and Password:** Use these to access World Book Online Encyclopedia from home.
- **Kodable Class Code:** On the Kodable website, click "Kid Sign-In" and enter the Class Code listed on the info sheet, then find your student's name to try some coding!
- **Typetastic:** For the Typetastic Kickstart, enter the code "red panda" to access all activities to practice typing skills.
- **iReady:** K & 1 students have a separate login card stapled to the info sheet for iReady. Go to https://login.i-ready.com/.

**Grades 3-5:**
- **Network user name and password:** This info is used to log into our school computers and use Typing Club at https://wwebm.typingclub.com
- **Google Username and Password:** Students have been using Google Classroom all year. Have them show you what they've done! They will also use this info to log into Code.org.
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Finding Right Fit Books

A “right fit” book is a book that your child can enjoy reading on their own. Reading just right books helps your child develop as a reader. To find a book that is just the right fit for your child, try using the five finger test.

Here’s how it works: Turn to a page in the middle of the book. As your child reads, hold up a finger for every word he/she doesn’t know. Use the following guidelines:

1. Easy book for your child
2. Good choice for your child
3. Might need some help, but still a good choice
4. May be too difficult to read and understand. You may need to help
5. Probably too difficult for your child to read right now-- this could be a great choice for a read-aloud!

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Tips for Preventing the
Summer Slide

Studies show that children who do not read or have access to books during the summer lose up to 2 months of reading performance. Those losses accumulate during the elementary school years so that by the time a child enters middle school he/she may be 2 1/2 years behind! All children, whether from low, middle or upper income families, may fall victim to the "summer slide" if not provided with summer reading opportunities. So how do we prevent the summer slide or even accelerate reading growth? Here are a few ideas:

1. Visit your local library! Help your child find "right fit" books. Right fit books are books that are of high interest to your child and are not beyond their reading level. You can use the five finger test to determine if the book is too difficult for your child. Open the book to a page with many words. Have your child begin reading the text. Hold up a finger for each word he/she does not know. If you have 4 or 5 fingers up, the text may be too difficult for your child to read independently. Feel free to still check out the book! It just may be a book you want to read with your child.

2. Be sure your child reads at least 20 minutes a day. According to research, a child who reads only 1 minute a day outside of school will learn 8,000 words by the end of sixth grade where a student who reads 20 minutes outside of school will learn 1,800,000 words! That's huge! If reading isn't one of your child's top priorities, you may need to set up an incentive program.

3. Set a good example. When your child sees you reading and enjoying a book or a newspaper article, you are sending a message that reading is important and valuable.

4. Read to your child. When you read to your child, he/she hears the rhythm of language. Be sure to read with expression! Changing your voice for different characters and increasing your volume during exciting parts are only a few ways to keep children engaged.

5. Read with your child - explore different types of reading such as poetry. For our little ones, poetry is a great way to improve phonemic awareness skills as poetry often incorporates rhyme. For our older children, poetry is a means of improving fluency.

6. Read for different purposes. Reading directions for a recipe or directions for assembling a toy are fun ways of incorporating reading into everyday activities.

7. Play games with words. Commercial games such as Apples to Apples improves vocabulary. You can easily turn a game of hopscotch or 4 square into a game that incorporates learning letters or sight words. Be sure to check out the "8 Super Summer Sight Word Activities" on the Make, Take & Teach blog.

8. If you have access to an iPad, there are tons of interactive books and apps that address phonics and early reading skills. There are also many websites that offer free reading related games.

Have a happy and healthy summer! Be sure to read, read and read some more! Not only can we prevent the summer slide, we can accelerate reading growth.

For more teaching ideas and activities be sure to visit our blog! www.blog.maketake.teach.com

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Bring your completed BINGO card to Mrs. Burrell during the 1st week of school for a free book pick from the BOOK NOOK!

Summer Break
READING BINGO

Color in each square as you complete the activity and try to get a BINGO! Can you fill the entire card?

- Read for 30 minutes
- Read a fiction book
- Read a biography
- Read a sports book
- Read a book recommended by a librarian

- Read using a flashlight
- Find a word you don't know
- Eat a snack while you read
- Read in your pajamas
- Read a funny book

- Make a picture about a book you read
- Listen to a book
- FREE SPACE
- Read for 20 minutes
- Read a graphic novel

- Read twice in one day
- Read one book in a series
- Read on a rainy day
- Read a book about animals
- Read a book that takes place in summer

- Read a book recommended by a friend
- Read a picture book
- Read a poem
- Read a nonfiction book
- Read outside

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