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Dear Parents/Guardians:

It is our goal to foster a love of reading in our students. For that reason, we are encouraging students to select books that they want to read during the months of July and August. We anticipate that students will find several books that they will enjoy reading. To help guide their selection, we have included a list of some popular series and books that your child might enjoy. These books are available at the public library. Of course, if your child has his/her heart set on reading books that do not appear on this list, he/she is welcome to read those instead.

We also want students to participate in our **Summer Bingo Reading Challenge**. Students are encouraged to complete several activities in order to get a Bingo or better yet complete all the activities listed. We know that you will be able to find ways to acknowledge your child's literacy accomplishment if they complete the challenge.

The Hewlett Public Library offers many worthwhile literacy related activities during the summer. The librarians visited classrooms in June to promote these. We hope that you will take advantage of all they have to offer.

All students are required to read at least one book during the summer vacation. When we return to school in September, we plan to have a school-wide summer reading celebration so please **make sure that your child is ready to discuss at least one book that they read during the summer**. Students who read five or more books during the summer vacation will be recognized during our celebration.

We understand that students as well as parents look forward to summer vacation to have many amazing adventures, but we believe that learning never takes a vacation. Thank you in advance for helping to strengthen your child's literacy skills.

Sincerely,

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