

Summer Reading 2026

Reading over the summer is a great way to prevent the "summer slide" and help students prepare for 5th grade. Reading and listening to novels help students retain what they have learned throughout the year. Pick at least one novel to read this summer, but the more the better. The following are some suggested resources to help you get started and find a book that interests you.

Ocean County Library

<https://theoceancountylibrary.org/kids>

Association for Library Service to Children

<https://www.ala.org/alsc/awardsgrants/notalists/ncb>

100 Books of Summer for Kids

https://www.barnesandnoble.com/b/100-books-of-summer-for-kids/_/N-2qxf

Scholastic Summer Reading

<https://www.scholastic.com/parents/books-and-reading/kids-books-summer-reading.html>

Please do not read the following novels since we read them in 5th grade as a part of novel studies and literature circles.

Esperanza Rising by Pam Munz Ryan

Number the Stars by Lois Lowry

Raymie Nightingale by Kate DiCamillo

Flora and Ulysses by Kate DiCamillo

Hoot by Carl Hiaasen

Flush by Carl Hiaasen

See you in September!

~Mrs. Townsend 😊