

# JOSEPH A. McNEIL IB PYP SCHOOL SUMMER READING!

JUST  
**20**  
MINUTES  
A DAY  
MAKES A BIG  
DIFFERENCE!

**READ • THINK • WONDER • GROW**

Keep your mind active, your imagination strong,  
and your reading skills sharp *all summer long!*



## WHY SUMMER READING MATTERS

- Helps prevent summer learning loss
- Builds stronger reading comprehension
- Improves writing and vocabulary
- Encourages curiosity, confidence & creativity
- Prepares students for a successful school year!

## FAMILY CONVERSATION STARTERS

After reading, ask:

- ★ What happened in the story?
- ★ Who was your favorite character and why?
- ★ What was the problem?
- ★ How was it solved?
- ★ What lesson did the character learn?
- ★ What evidence supports your thinking?

## DON'T FORGET WRITING!

Encourage your child to:

- ✓ Keep a summer journal
- ✓ Write letters to family & friends
- ✓ Create stories, poems or comics
- ✓ Review books they read
- ✓ Describe trips and memorable experiences

## RECOMMENDED BOOKS BY GRADE LEVEL

### GRADE 1

- Jabari Jumps
- Pete the Cat: I Love My White Shoes
- Last Stop on Market Street
- The Pigeon HAS to Go to School!
- The Day the Crayons Quit



### GRADE 2

- Mercy Watson to the Rescue
- Dragons and Marshmallows
- Henry and Mudge: The First Book
- The Rabbit Listened
- The Year of Billy Miller



### GRADE 3

- Because of Winn-Dixie
- The Wild Robot
- Frindle
- Ways to Make Sunshine
- Charlotte's Web



### GRADE 4

- Wonder
- Fish in a Tree
- The One and Only Ivan
- Front Desk
- Bud, Not Buddy



### GRADE 5

- New Kid
- Ghost
- A Long Walk to Water
- Esperanza Rising
- Hatchet



### GRADE 6

- Brown Girl Dreaming
- The Crossover
- Refugee
- Restart
- Percy Jackson and the Olympians: The Lightning Thief



## EXPLORE AMAZING RESOURCES!

**SORA DIGITAL LIBRARY**  
Read eBooks & audiobooks anytime, anywhere! Ask your teacher for login info.

**VISIT YOUR LIBRARY**  
Get a library card, attend story time, and join summer reading programs!

**DISCOVER & EXPLORE**  
Check out museums, parks, nature centers, and community events near you!

## SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

READ 20 MINUTES EVERY DAY!

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★ GOAL: Read at least 8 books this summer! ★

## LEARNING IS EVERYWHERE!

- At Home
- At the Library
- At Museums
- During Family Trips
- While Watching Movies & TV
- During Conversations

**UNEARTH  
A STORY!**

Every book is an adventure  
waiting for you!

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