

Summer Reading Challenge 2021

Millstone Township Primary and Elementary Schools

Join the Hive-Bee a Reader!



Dear Primary and Elementary School families,
We are pleased to share the 2021 Summer Reading Challenge!
Readers from both schools are invited to **Join the Hive** this summer and **Bee a Reader!**

How does the challenge work?

- Make time to read this summer! Read aloud to your child/children-at any age! Support your reader to spend time reading with you and independently as well.
 - Readers can choose to read anything! Fiction and nonfiction books, magazines, articles, graphics, joke books-anything and everything that interests them! Visit the library or bookstores with your child to 'browse' for ideas!
- Choose a few books to buzz about! Readers write a **'Book Buzz'** to share what made it such a great read! (Can do a few throughout the summer-no limit!)
 - Feel free to add/take away lines to match your reader's needs
 - Younger readers can also draw a picture of their favorite part!
 - Include your reader's name at the bottom.
- Bring your *favorite* 'Book Buzz' to school on the first day (can bring the book too if you choose) to show you *joined the hive!*
- One Book Buzz response for each participating reader will be displayed to look like a bee hive-*buzzing* with all our favorite summer reading picks!

How will we celebrate the participating readers?

- We will recognize their summer reading success with a personalized certificate
- Readers will also be eligible to win reading-related prizes!

What additional resources can I use to make summer reading a success?

- See the attached article from Reading is Fundamental: *Reducing the Summer Slide*
- Set a reading goal! Talk with your reader and set a goal! It can be a number of days or a number of books he or she will read! See the attached *honeycomb sheet* for tracking progress toward your reader's goal! Students can shade in a hexagon for each day or each book read!
- Play Summer Reading Bingo to read in creative ways!
- Visit <https://www.readingrockets.org/books/booksbytheme> for book lists to explore or use the <https://www.readingrockets.org/bookfinder> to discover books by choosing from many age/format/type/topics!
- All the above as well as additional resources and links are available to view or print in the **Google Classroom for the challenge**. Join today with the code: **3prxlrp**

We thank you for your continued support! Enjoy the summer and all the extra time to read!

The PS and ES Reading Teams

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