



AGIS Summer Reading Program

Welcome to the AGIS Family! We all know the value of children reading all year long! The purpose of The Summer Reading Program at Avon Grove Intermediate is to develop a lifetime reading habit, to encourage reading for pleasure, and to familiarize students with topics they will encounter in the new school year. We are asking our new third grade students *to read four books* during the summer months. We know you will support our efforts to encourage students to read through our Summer Reading Program.

Here are a few suggestions to help you and your child to have some fun and to expand the family's reading experiences.

- Dig out that old library card or go and get one if you don't have one.
- Read along with your child and share your favorite parts with each other.
- If your child is struggling with a selected book, pick another one that is a better match... there are thousands of "just right" books.
- If you need help deciding whether a book is "just right" go to <http://www.rif.org/parents/tips/default.aspx>
- Join a summer reading program at your local public library.
- Check for bookstores that have authors coming to visit and go hear an author speak.
- Find a "Story Hour" and listen to someone else read a good story.
- Start a "kids" book club in your neighborhood.

The attached list is meant to provide you with a place to start when choosing books. The lists include books on a variety of topics and reading levels. Parents need to help their children find the right book to match their interests and abilities. We have tried to list books that will be easy to find in the library or in a local bookstore. Students may also choose to read books that are not found on the list but that they are interested in reading.

When your child has finished reading each book, we ask that he/she draw a picture or write about a favorite part of the book. You may want to use the graphic organizer included with this packet. Please encourage your child to talk about the book with you.

All organizers and drawings must be turned in to your child's homeroom teacher no later than *Friday, September 10, 2010*. All students who verify their summer reading will receive recognition in the form of a certificate and small incentive from the school and PTA during a grade level assembly in September.

All information concerning The Summer Reading Program is posted on the school website.