



Congratulations HNJ!!! We ended the year with a dance party to celebrate our reading success throughout the school year ☺

Now summer is here, and it's the perfect time to dive into a good book or...60!!!

That's right, the summer reading program has begun! The challenge is to read 60 books (or the equivalent) over the summer. Write down the title of each book, just like we do throughout the school year. If you are successful in logging 60 books, you will receive a \$10.00 gift certificate to shop for books at the Scholastic Book Fair in the Fall.

Reading Challenge Guidelines:

Students in 1st and 2nd grades reading **easy reader story books** count each book as 1 (one) book.

Any student reading **chapter books** counts pages. Take whatever grade you are in and multiply by 10. That's the number of **pages** you must read to consider it a "book". So, for 3rd graders, every 30 pages read equals 1 "book". For 7th graders, every 70 pages read equals 1 "book".

Further example: If a 7th grader reads a book that is 375 pages, for our reading challenge, that is the equivalent of 5 "books" with 25 pages toward another "book".

For a graphic novel, please split the total number of pages in half and then count pages. A 4th grader reading a Dog Man book would count like this: the total number of pages is roughly 240 pages, cut in half, is 120 pages. Then divide 120 pages by 40 equaling 3 "books". Graphic novels are fun to read, but please mix some traditional novels into your reading selections as well.

First and second graders, feel free to do a combination of chapter books and easy reading books.

Our goal is for you to enjoy what you are reading as well as maintaining the skills you have been taught this year. Father Quinlan shared with us how his love of Egyptian history developed from summer reading. One never knows what adventures await us in a book ☺

Happy reading,

-Mrs. Martinelli