

Dear Parents,

As summer quickly approaches, I am writing to pass on some information regarding summer reading and suggested summer practice.

Lower school classes do not give assigned reading over the summer, but rather, we encourage our students to be reading daily over the summer months. At the 6th grade level, I recommend students read about 20-25 minutes daily. Please see the list below for books to avoid as they are books that will be read in 6th grade.

As a part of their daily reading, I am asking that my incoming students complete the attached book response form. A PDF version will also be available on the parent portal of the Oakdale website. Please have your students complete these pages for at least **3 books** they read this summer. Students should use complete sentences where possible and use their best cursive handwriting. **Plan to have your students turn these in on the first day of school.** Students who complete the summer reading write-ups will be eligible for an ice cream treat at the start of school. **One last comment about reading: parents, please do not hesitate to read to your child. This is SO good for them no matter the age!**

Books to Avoid:

American Tall Tales Old Yeller Call It Courage Banner in the Sky Amos Fortune Mu Side of the Mountain The Little Prince Storm Warriors Lizzie Bright and the Buckminster Boy Timothy of the Cay The Cay

Also, I encourage you to have your students working on their **math facts** over the summer. Flash card practice of some form will help keep these fresh over the summer months, so they will be ready for new math instruction when they return in August.

Finally, sixth graders will be required to do some typing for special projects, and the upper school requires much work to be typed. As your child prepares for the upper school, it will become more and more important that they be proficient in typing. If possible, we encourage students to practice and develop proper typing skills at home. A couple of free typing programs available on-line are: Learn to Type:Big Brown Bear and typingclub.com (recommended by one of our students).

I hope and pray that you enjoy a wonderful and refreshing summer! Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this information. Happy reading!

In Christ,

Mrs. Schriemer

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