



Dear Seven Hills Families,

We are excited to introduce our new Summer Reading Club Program to you. This summer, students entering Kindergarten through Fifth Grade will participate in a summer reading program culminating in a celebration of reading at the end of the first week of school. The students will have an opportunity to choose books of interest to them by selecting their own books or by referring to the list of suggested books prepared by our librarians, Linden and Judy. You can locate this list and all of the Summer Reading Program forms on the school's website under Summer Reading.

As parents and educators, we understand the importance of reading to academic success. Although many of our students are already strong readers, we would like to encourage them to read on a regular basis over the break by participating in our Summer Reading Club. The students can keep track of the number of minutes that they spend reading by filling in boxes on the enclosed recording sheet for every twenty minutes they read, or are read to, if they are not reading independently just yet. If your child completes one recording sheet and needs another, the recording sheet is available on the Seven Hills' website under the Summer Reading heading. In addition to recording the number of minutes they read, the students are encouraged to keep a list of the books that they read. They can bring these forms with them to their teacher on the first day of school.

At the end of the first week of school in the fall, the Lower School students will participate in a celebration of reading, sharing their favorite book with their classmates and friends. The first Friday back the students will be encouraged to come to school dressed as their favorite character from fiction; or if their favorite book is non-fiction, they can choose to dress as a representation from that book. In addition to sharing their favorite character or non-fiction topic with their classmates, the students will participate in a variety of reading-related activities. Students will participate in activities such as reading with their buddy classes, sharing information about their books in pairs, and welcoming guest readers into the classrooms.

We look forward to celebrating reading with your children and appreciate your support of this exciting new program. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact your child's current teacher.

Happy reading!

Sincerely,
Karen Malin
And all of the faculty from Lower School



“The more that you read, the more things you will know.
The more that you learn, the more places you'll go.”

by Dr. Suess

For more information please go to www.sevenhillsschool.org and click on the Summer Reading link.