

Welcome to Columbus Intermediate School

Summer Reading Program

Entering 4th Grade -- '17-'18 School Year

May 2017

Dear Parents/Guardians:

It's so hard to believe that the end of the school year is upon us! We are excited to welcome your soon-to-be fourth graders to Columbus Intermediate School!

This welcome book bag contains a copy of the school supply list for all fourth grade students and the summer reading packet information. **The summer reading assignment will be due on the FIRST day of school.** This is the first grade that your child will receive this school year... so be sure that your child makes it is their best work!

Studies show that students can lose as much as one year's growth in reading if they do not continue their reading practice over the summer. With this in mind, Columbus Intermediate School will require students to read over the summer and complete a summer reading project.

Students entering fourth grade will be required to read at least 400 minutes during the summer. The book titles read will need to be recorded on the Reading Log. At least **10 entries** must be listed on the summer Reading Log. As well as the Reading Log, students will need to complete the **Book Report** worksheets for their favorite summer reading book. The completed Book Report form and Reading Log are **due the first day of school.**

A variety of books can be found at local libraries, including the Southeast branch of the Cuyahoga County Library, as well as local bookstores. The books should cover a variety of genres (mystery, fairy tales, tall tales, and non-fiction). Choosing a variety of authors will ensure that your child will find something that will interest him or her.

The Summer Reading Program an opportunity to assist your child in practicing and maintaining the reading skills developed during the school year so he or she will enter the 2017-2018 school year with strong reading skills! We appreciate your support as we strive to assist students in developing and maintaining their reading skills.

If you lose your summer reading packet or the school supply list over the summer, please feel free to look online at the district website at www.bedford.k12.oh.us and under the "Columbus" tab or a copy is available at the Southeast Branch Public Library (Bedford).

Again, all Summer Reading requirements are due on the FIRST day of school and will be used as their first official grade.

Enjoy your summer and Happy Reading!!

Mrs. Sterlekar

Principal, Columbus Intermediate School

Fiction:

Blume, Judy- *Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing*
Cronin, Doreen- *The Trouble with Chickens*
Davies, Jacqueline- *The Lemonade War*
Fleming, Candace- *The Fabled Fourth Graders of Aesop Elementary*
Freeman, Martha- *The Case of the Rock 'N' Roll Dog*
Grindley, Sally- *Dear Max*
Gutman, Dan- *Nightmare at the Book Fair*
Hamilton, Libby- *The Monstrous Book of Monsters*
Jennings, Patrick- *Guinea Dog*
Lowry, Lois- *The Birthday Ball*
Lupica, Mike- *Hero*
O'Malley, Kevin- *Once Upon a Cool Motorcycle Dude*
Peterson, Lois- *the Ballad of Knuckles, McGraw*
Rockwell, Thomas- *How to Eat Fried Worms*
Santat, Dan- *Sidekicks*
Schmidt, Gary D.- *Okay for Now*
Selznick, Brian- *Wonder Struck*
Stein, Garth- *Racing in the Rain; My Life as a Dog*
Tan, Shaun- *Lost & Found*
Vail, Rachel- *Justin Case: School, Drool, and Other Daily Disasters*
Wallace, Bill- *Upchuck and the Rotten Willy*
Zuckerman, Amy- *2030: A Day in the Life of Tomorrow's Kids*

Nonfiction:

Bishop, Nic- *Nic Bishop Lizards*
Buchholz, Rachel- *How to Survive Anything*
French, Jackie- *How to Scratch a Wombat: Where to Find It... What to Feed It...*
Jenkins, Steve- *Never Smile at a Monkey: And 17 Other Important Things to Remember*
Krull, Kathleen- *Jim Henson: The Guy Who Played with Puppets*
Markle, Sandra- *Animal Heroes: True Rescue Stories*
Rappaport, Doreen- *Eleanor, Quiet No More: The Life of Eleanor Roosevelt*
Moss, Marissa- *Nurse, Soldier, Spy: The Story of Sarah Edmonds, a Civil War Hero*
Peot, Margaret- *Inkblot: Drip, Splat, and Squish Your Way to Creativity*
Tavares, Matt- *Henry Aaron's Dream*
Taylor, Sarah Stewart- *Amelia Earhart: This Broad Ocean*

Summer Reading Project Directions:

Reading Log

1. You must fill in your reading log. You must have at least 10 different log-in times and read for a minimum of 400 minutes.

Book Report

1. Choose *ONE* of the books you read to fill in your summer reading log to do the book report.
2. Use the "Book Report Fun: Follow the arrows!" sheet to help you begin your prewriting for your book report.
3. Complete the book report form in your BEST handwriting and using your BEST grammar!

The summer reading project are due in the office on the FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL!

This project will be for a grade. Please make sure that you are using your BEST handwriting, grammar and punctuation skills. This will be your very first grade for the school year!

Name _____ Date _____

Book Report

Title of book _____

Author _____

How does the story end? (Resolution)

The best part about this book is when

Who is the main character in this story?



Write six new vocabulary words that you learned from this book.

Words:

Definition:

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How do the characters begin to solve the problem? (Rising Action)

List four words that would best describe the book



