

MSR Lower Elementary

Summer Reading Requirements

You will be reading at least 4 books this summer. One book from a series, one chapter book, and two picture books. Record the books you read on the Summer Reading Log.

Once you have read the books, choose one to use for your book project (options attached).

Choose another book and draw a picture of your favorite scene/part of the book. Describe what is happening in the picture and why it is important to the story. These will be displayed on the bulletin board in the hallway.

Read lots and lots of books this summer. Prizes will be awarded to our most avid readers (number of books and number of pages). Books on the reading list earn double points but you may read anything you'd like. You must log books for them to count. Do not include any books that you read before the last day of school.

Your book project, book log, and picture are due on Friday, August 18.

Book Projects

1. **Book in a Bag** - Place 5 -6 items that are important to the story into a paper bag. Decorate the outside of the bag with the title and a scene from the book. On an index card, write down why you chose each item and why it is important.
2. **Diorama** - Use a small box to create an important scene from the book. Include models of people, plants, animals, buildings, furniture, or anything that would help us visualize the scene you have chosen. On an index card, write a description of what is happening in the scene and why it is important.
3. **New Ending** - Write a different ending for the book. Perhaps you thought there was a better way to wrap up the story. Here's your chance to fix it. First years should write at least one page, second years at least two pages, and third years at least three pages.
4. **Timeline** - Use poster board or construction paper to create a timeline of important events from your book. It should tell the story from beginning to end in the form of pictures with short captions underneath to describe each scene.
5. **Letters** - Write a letter to the main character of your book. Ask them questions about themselves and the story. Then write a letter from the main character back to yourself, responding to your questions and thoughts. Remember to stay true to the character when writing your response. You can even make stationery that would be appropriate for your character.

Name _____

MSR Summer Reading Book Log

Title: _____

Author (s): _____

Number of pages: _____ Date Read: _____

I thought this book was: excellent good okay awful (circle one)

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