

## Dear Parents,

For all students entering grades K through 5, summer reading is for enjoyment and the love of reading. At these grade levels book reports or projects are not assigned, yet it is hoped that the children will continue to practice and reinforce their reading skills during the summer. The recommended summer reading list has been developed with an understanding of the different reading levels and interests of the children. It is intended to serve as a guide as you help your child choose books. Cliffside Park Public Library has additional selections available.

Why summer reading? When the bell rings on the last day of school, children are ready to play outdoors and with their favorite toys. However, research shows that over the summer months children will lose some of their reading skills if they do not read during this time. The following summer reading enrichment programs will encourage and reward your child for reading during the summer.

The Children's Department at the **Cliffside Public Library** offers a summer filled with fun and activities. They also have additional selections that are appropriate for your child. Stop by the Cliffside Park Public Library for further details or visit their website at <a href="http://cliffsidepark.bccls.org/">http://cliffsidepark.bccls.org/</a>.

**Scholastic** offers children a chance to participate in a "Summer Reading Challenge: A Magical Summer of Reading!" Information is available on their website <a href="https://www.scholastic.com/summer/home/">https://www.scholastic.com/summer/home/</a>

During the school year, your children shared the enjoyment of reading and wonderful adventures through books. Please consider sharing that experience with your child this summer. This can be accomplished whether you read to your child, or if your child is an independent reader, by discussing what has been read. By reading this summer, your child will continue to travel to fantasy lands, solve mysteries, or have a good laugh through the pages of a book.

Have a Wonderful Summer!