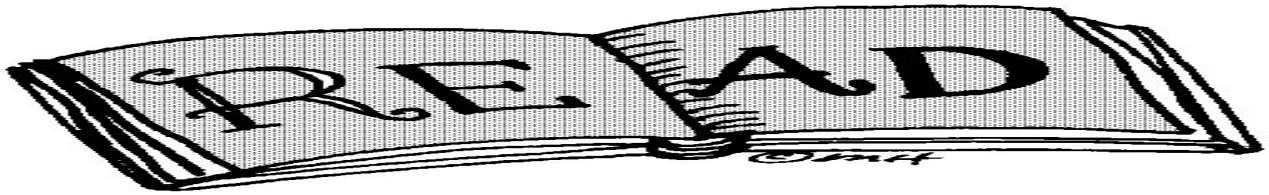
Summer Reading:

Please encourage your student to read this summer! In this packet is a list of great books that will improve your child's reading and prevent summer regression. Your participation in "Read Alouds" will demonstrate your commitment to your child's/children's excellence in reading as well. Additional ideas to encourage reading:

- Library & Ice Cream Night – The entire family goes to the library to choose books and then out to Dairy Queen for a cool reward.
- Outdoor blanket party – books, lemonade, and reading anywhere in the yard or on the porch
- Used bookstore treasure hunt – Whoever finds the best book for the cheapest price chooses the next read-aloud book.
- Reading caves – Make a corner of the room, closet, garage, or tree fort a reading hideout for your child/children.
- Set the timer to limit video games, TV, and computer play especially in the summer when we are most likely to lose track of their gaming time.



York County Library Information:

Join the Challenge June 5 – July 28

Visit York County Library and help build a better world! This summer's reading theme celebrates making a positive change, with four age-appropriate reading challenges: newborns and toddlers 3 and under; children 3–11; teens 12–17; and adults. Each features special prizes and incentives for completing the challenges, along with free programs for all ages. The Summer Reading Challenge is sponsored by the Friends of the York County Library. Watch for more details soon.

Individuals may register online at www.yclibrary.org or at any branch library or the Bookmobile beginning Monday, May 15. Those registering online will be able to track their reading progress in a fun and interactive way. Participants are encouraged to register early, but they cannot begin recording reading time until the program kicks-off on Monday, June 5. Printed materials will continue to be available for those without internet access, or for those who wish to track their reading time both ways. Reading incentives and prize drawings for all ages will be offered to those who complete reading requirements . The library's summer schedule will also include free, exciting programs for all ages.

Please check out the handout Ms. Prince created for accessing eBooks through Destiny this Summer! https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B2DK3CFkXzIcdXI4SVIwZUdlX1k/view?usp=sharing

Kindergarten Suggested Summer Reading Lists

Research has shown that the single greatest factor in predicting reading success is whether a child is read to when young. Here are some titles to get you started!

Books About Me • I Like Me! by Nancy L. Carlson • I Like to Be Little by Charlotte Zolotow • The Mixed-Up Chameleon by Eric Carle • My Five Senses by Aliki • Owen by Kevin Henkes • When I Get Bigger by Mercer Mayer	**Caldecott Winners and Honor Books** • Color Zoo by Lois Ehlert • Madeline by Ludwig Bemelmans • More, More, More Said the Baby by Vera B. Williams • Officer Buckle and Gloria by Peggy Rathman • Swimmy by Leo Lionni • Tops and Bottoms by Janet Stevens
Family Stories • Just Me Books by Mercer Mayer • Mama Do You Love Me? by Barbara M. Joosse	**Mother Goose and Nursery Rhymes** • James Marshall's Mother Goose by James Marshall • My Very First Mother Goose by Iona Opie and Rosemary Wells • Tomie dePaola's Mother Goose by Tomie dePaola
Predictable Books • Curious George by H. A. Rey • Each Peach Pear Plum by Janet and Allan Ahlberg • The Gingerbread Boy by Paul Galdone • Gregory the Terrible Eater by Mitchell Sharmat • Goodnight Moon by Margaret Wise Brown • Millions of Cats by Wanda Gág • What's in Fox's Sack? by Paul Galdone	**Folktales and Fairy Tales** • Chicken Little by Steven Kellogg • Cinderella by Marcia Brown • The Hare and the Tortoise by Brian Wildsmith • Henny Penny by H. Werner Zimmermann • The Little Red Hen by Margot Zemach • The Three Bears by Paul Galdone • Three Little Pigs by James Marshall • The Three Little Pigs by Rodney Peppé • The Ugly Duckling by Hans Christian Andersen
Beginning, Middle, and End Concept • Bony-Legs by Joanna Cole • A Camping Spree with Mr. Magee by Chris Van Dusen • Love You Forever by Robert Munsch • Rosie's Walk by Pat Hutchins • The Runaway Bunny by Margaret Wise Brown	**Stories in Rhyme** • All the Colors of the Earth by Sheila Hamanaka • Bringing the Rain to Kapiti Plain by Verna Aardema • Miss Spider's Tea Party by David Kirk Friends • Benjamin and Tulip by Rosemary Wells • We Are Best Friends by Aliki • Who Will Be My Friends? by Syd Hoff Fabulous
Color and Counting Books • Each Orange Had Eight Slices: A Counting Book by Paul Giganti Jr. • Fish Eyes: A Book You Can Count On by Lois Ehlert • Frog Counts to Ten by John Liebler • Inch by Inch by Leo Lionni • Is it Red? Is it Yellow? Is it Blue? by Tana Hoban • Planting a Rainbow by Lois Ehlert • Ten Bears in My Bed: A Goodnight Countdown by Stanley Mack • Ten Little Fish by Audrey Wood • 26 Letters and 99 Cents by Tana Hoban	**Science Books** • Cars and How they Go by Joanna Cole • Eyewitness Juniors Amazing Frogs and Toads by Barry Clarke • Magic School Bus On the Ocean Floor by Joanna Cole

2017 GHES Summer Websites and Apps

Reading

Grade	Name	Description	Available on
K-5	Scholastic Summer Reading Challenge	No login necessary to get the free summer reading challenge list. If you register your children they can log the minutes they spend reading, play games, and earn virtual rewards.	Click here for the website.
K-5	We Give Books	Great website for "read to self" readers!	www.wegivebooks.org/books
K-5	ABCYA	Brush up on letter recognition, sight words, spelling and reading through fun, interactive games!	www.abcya.com
K-1	Starfall	Great site for learning readers! Includes letter recognition, phonics, sight words, and reading passages.	(Website is free) http://starfall.com Also available on Apple and Android- not all associated apps are free.
K-1	National Geographic Young Explorers	Young readers can have fun learning about new animals while looking through this online magazine.	Click here for the website.
K-2	Storyline Online	Have celebrities read your favorite books to you!	www.storylineonline.net

Math

Grade	Name	Description	Available On
K-2	Todo Math	Fun and colorful app that teaches concepts such as adding, subtracting, number recognition, and telling time. FREE	iPad, iPhone, iPod
2-5	Khan Academy	FREE- Build up and refresh skills according to grade level.	Android, iPad, iPhone, https://www.khanacademy.org
K-5	ABCYA	Your children can learn while playing games! Practice skills like multiplication, addition, subtraction, counting, and telling time!	www.abcya.com
K-5	Hooda Math	Play games while practicing math skills!	www.hoodamath.com

Have Fun Learning New Skills!

Grade	Name	Description	Available On
K-5	DIY	It's the digital summer camp that kids can use to learn new skills like cooking, crafts, or animation. Any skill achievements earn patches!	http://diy.org iPod and iPhone

PARENTS! Before you Let your children play a game or watch a movie, check out:

Common Sense Media	Common Sense Media is a great site that rates the age appropriateness of media like games, websites, movies, and books for kids. This site is also an amazing resource for teaching your children how to be a safe and responsible digital citizen.

Dear Parents:

To prevent summer regression, we have a terrific computer program that students should be utilizing at home called CompassLearning Odyssey. It is full of great lessons and activities that students can do at home on personal computers or iPads. Please see the information below on how to access Odyssey from home.

Computer Setup

To ensure that a workstation is properly set up to run the CompassLearning Odyssey program:

- go to the website, www.compasslearningodyssey.com
- type in the username as the student's first and last name without a space between.
  For example, "joesmith"
- type in the password "x" for all students
- In the school bar, please make sure it is changed from "Odyssey" to "GHES"

iPad Setup

There is a separate web browser that will need to be installed as an app to run Odyssey lessons.

- Download the app, **Puffin Web Browser Free**
- Open this app and go the website, www.compasslearningodyssey.com
- type in the username as the student's first and last name without a space between.
  For example, "joesmith"
- type in the password "x" for all students
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Support Information

For additional assistance in setting up your system, refer to our Support page at http://support.compasslearning.com/faq, or contact your school technical personnel. You may also contact CompassLearning Customer Support at
Email support@compasslearning.com Web http://support.compasslearning.com

Odyssey Lesson Components

The Student Portfolio gives you and your child access to:

- Assignments
- Learning activities
- Chapter tests
- Lesson quizzes
- Objective-based tests

Parent Notice

You can check your child's progress in Odyssey at any time by clicking on the backpack in the upper left corner of the home screen once your student has logged in. This will take you to your student's portfolio.

Please direct any questions you may have to Matt Rohring, Lead Teacher, via email at rohringm@fort-mill.k12.sc.us

Thank you so much for your support of your child's education.