



# Pleasantville Public Schools Summer Reading K-5

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Dear Parents of Students Entering Grades 1-5,

Summertime presents a wonderful opportunity to help your child develop a love of books and reading. Research shows that continued reading practice during the summer is the **best** thing that students can do to help maintain and improve their reading skills and "hit the ground running" in September. Attached you will find a suggested summer reading list of books that your child can use to choose books to read during the upcoming summer months. (The list is also available on the district website at <http://www.pps-nj.us/pps/>). The books have been selected based on interest and readability levels and most are available at the Pleasantville Public Library, through the Atlantic County Library System (ask the librarian), or at Borders. They can also be purchased at discounted prices at [www.half.com](http://www.half.com), [www.overstock.com](http://www.overstock.com), [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com), and [www.cheapestbook.com](http://www.cheapestbook.com).

All students entering grades K-5 in September 2010 are asked to read three books during the summer and complete a project for each book. Attached to this letter are several project ideas that students can choose from to demonstrate their understanding of their chosen books. Projects should be completed by students, signed by a parent, and turned in to your child's teacher at the beginning of the school year. Students who read three books and complete a **signed** project for each will be eligible for a special reward during the month of September. Your help and support in encouraging your child to read three books and complete three projects this summer will help maintain and enhance the growth he/she has made in both reading and writing this past school year.

Thank you in advance, and have a healthy and happy summer!

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