CCS Summer Reading for Rising K-2nd Graders!

Dear Parents,

Research shows that the reading skills of students who do not read over the summer months may decline significantly. We don't want that to happen! According to the American Library Association, the benefits to readers in a summer reading program include:

- encouragement for a lifelong habit of reading
- reading over the summer helps children keep their skills up
- the program can generate interest in the library and books
- the program can just be good fun and provide an opportunity for family time

Participation in this program is optional, but highly encouraged. If you should misplace the log sheet, look for a downloadable copy on the CCS website https://myccs.org/. On the CCS Website choose the Academics tab then the Library tab. Scroll down to find all summer reading information and log sheets. There will also be copies available in the school office.

Although reading is its own reward, it is nice to have an incentive! *Those who read (or are read to) and turn in their summer reading logs with the required page count to their teacher* by Friday, **August 17th** will be invited to a special afterschool movie with refreshments and an opportunity to share about the favorite book they read over the summer.

Here are the *minimum* page count requirements to participate:

Rising K	300
Rising 1st	450
Rising 2nd	550

Happy reading!
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Reading Ideas:

Audiobooks: Great for reluctant or beginning readers and auditory learners. Many are available at your local library or for download to your digital device.

Read-Along: Alternate reading with your child. Alternate pages or alternate reading texts and quotes.

Read-Aloud: Model reading to your child and use expression.

Wordless Picture Books: Let your child "read" by telling you about the pictures.

Books of Special Interest: Look for non-fiction books on topics of interest to your child such as firemen, police, dinosaurs, animals, folktales, art, and poetry, etc.

Try these links for book recommendations and books to read online:

http://christianlibraryj.org/

http://www.justbooksreadaloud.com/