**Staff and Students Summer Reading Challenge**

Research shows that students who do not engage in cognitive activities during the summer lose one to three months of learning. However, summer reading not only helps students retain the skills they need to enjoy academic success but also offers them enriching experiences through books. Students who read during the summer are more likely to . . .

1. \* maintain the fluency required for success
2. \* maintain and increase their vocabulary

\* learn of the resources provided by the public library

1. \* talk with family and friends about books
2. \* discover new interests or hobbies

**Six Books to Summer Success**

Research also shows that reading just **six** books during the summer may keep a struggling reader from regressing. When choosing the six, be sure that they are just right, not too hard and not too easy for your child to read. Take advantage of your local library. Ask for help selecting books that match your child’s age, interests, and abilities. Libraries often run summer reading programs that motivate kids to read, so find out what’s available in your area.

Reading Log (reverse side) – The reading you do this summer counts toward your Intermediate School 25 book goal for the 2013 – 14 school year.

Online and Local Community Resources

<http://novelnewyork.org/>

<http://www.steele.lib.ny.us/horseheads.htm>

[www.scholastic.com/summer](http://www.scholastic.com/summer)

<http://www.scholastic.com/summer/pdfs/2013/SCBookList2013_Age3_5_2.pdf>

<http://www.readingrockets.org/extras/stem_series/>

<https://ny.evanced.info/ccld/sr/homepage.asp?ProgramID=2&PreviewMode=&StyleName>=

<http://kids.baristanet.com/2013/06/read-kiddo-read-ultimate-summer-reading-list-and-giveaway/>

<http://www.steele.lib.ny.us/parents.htm>

www.nyread.com

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Please return this log to your homeroom teacher for the 2013 – 2014 school year.

“The more you read the more things you will know. The more that you learn the more places you’ll go.” – Dr. Seuss, “I Can Read With My Eyes Shut!”