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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

We are writing to provide you with a brief update from our elementary ELA programming and important information regarding summer reading.

Bookworms Literacy Program: Year 1 Implementation

We did it! We have officially wrapped up Year 1 of the **Bookworms Literacy Program**, and what a chapters-long journey it has been. Over the past year, our readers have dove into new worlds, built incredible vocabulary, and grown their reading confidence by leaps and bounds.

We are incredibly proud of the hard work the kids put in, and we couldn't have done it without *your* amazing support at home. Thank you for reading along with us this year. Keep turning those pages over the summer, and we can't wait to see how much higher our Bookworms fly next year!

How You Can Help This Summer

Research shows that reading every day significantly increases a child's reading ability. The books selected for Trumbull's Summer Reading Program are chosen to make reading an enjoyable part of your child's life and your support is essential. You can make our program successful by the positive attitude you take toward reading and by the encouragement you show your child.

To assist you in supporting your child, the Office of Teaching & Learning recommends that you:

- Review the reading lists for your child's grade level and make your own decision based on the suitability of the books for your individual child. Click here to access Summer Reading Lists from the TPS website or here from the CT State Library.
- Supplement the selections with books you and your child enjoy. The Trumbull Public Library is a great resource for books. Level UP into a world of stories, activities and prizes this summer! Join the public library's summer reading program and discover your next favorite book. Video overview of the library program is here.
- Visit the Governor's Summer Reading challenge website with reading lists and more by clicking here.
- Support children's excitement through participation in our regional and state reading challenges. Our 1st Selectman's Reading Challenge for students entering Grades 4 and 5 as well as our Governor's Summer Reading Challenge (K-12) are available to all our students. Record the number of books read in a reading log as your child reads throughout the summer. Every book counts for the Governor's Challenge and your home school. Schools with the highest participation and number of books read will be recognized by the state. Your child can go online to the TPS website and look for the Summer Reading 2026 electronic log or click here.
- Please submit the Summer Reading 2026 electronic log at the **end** of the summer to enter your book totals.

Each year, with the support of our outstanding Literacy Consultants, Trumbull Public Schools seeks to continue to build a love for reading in our children. We will review reading logs submitted during the first week of school to get the totals for each student. As a follow-up to summer reading, teachers offer

a number of activities—from book shares in which students present an interesting character and/or memorable scene from one of the books they read during the summer to high school classes that engage in discussions of texts within advanced placement classes—we send the message that reading is an important part of our world. Please join us as we make this our most successful summer by reading daily, recording the titles of the books your child reads, and discussing the joy of reading with your child.

Enjoy a wonderful summer of reading!

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