May 11, 2018

Dear Students, Staff and Parents,

The Frances Hart Ewers Library is proud to continue our quest to promote reading for pleasure during the summer with our “Summer Reading Rocks” campaign! Our Summer Reading List includes suggested titles that encompass diverse topics and various reading levels. Students who participate in summer reading will be invited to attend an Ice Cream Social in September which will include a raffle. Raffle tickets can be earned by reading, listening or creating information through various forms of media formats such as podcasts, TedTalks and blogs.

Why Read?
Why read over the summer? It is a well-known fact that the more you read, the more knowledgeable you are and the better writer and conversationalist you will become. Besides, we are going to have an AMAZING RAFFLE in September! Letters were sent out to our community businesses in the spring and we have received an overwhelming response and a diverse array of donated prizes! There is something for everyone! You can keep up to date, as prizes continue to be donated by going to our Summer Reading page at: http://eastlymehs.libguides.com/summerreading.

Raffle Prizes:
Our Grand Prize this year is a Kindle Fire HD 8. In addition, our East Lyme and Salem businesses have donated many wonderful prizes. To date, the participating businesses include: Arthur Murray Dance Studio, Black Hawk Fishing, Dunkin Donuts, Colonial Car Wash, Flander’s Donuts, Flanders Fish Restaurant, Mijoy Fishing, il Pomod’Oro Restaurant and more! A special thanks to all of these businesses!

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“Learners today, leaders tomorrow.”
How to Earn Raffle Prizes:

**Summer Reading Log**
This year, students will have a variety of choices available to them in order to qualify for Summer Reading raffle tickets. A copy of the Summer Reading Log is included in this packet. Students should hand in a printed copy to Mrs. Sasso or submit the form online at [http://bit.ly/2018Read4Fun](http://bit.ly/2018Read4Fun) by September 10, 2018 to be eligible for the raffle and the Ice Cream Social. While participation is optional, we hope all students will be motivated to participate in one way or another.

**Summer Reading Suggested Titles:**
Some books on the suggested summer reading list will be available at the high school library until the last day of school. Students can check the books out at the high school library and return them to the high school’s main office over the summer or to the high school library when school starts up again in September. All books should be returned by the end of the summer. Students should be sure and renew or apply for an East Lyme or Salem Free Public Library card sometime during the summer to continue borrowing from their public libraries.

*Feel free to contact me over the summer with any questions at* [kathleen.sasso@elpsk12.org](mailto:kathleen.sasso@elpsk12.org).

*Have fun reading!*
*Mrs. Sasso*