May 17, 2019

Dear Students, Staff and Parents,

The Frances Hart Ewers Library is excited to offer another summer reading program designed to promote reading for pleasure: "Find Your Own Special Reading Space! 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! Community partners have donated a diverse array of 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, there will be donated prizes from local businesses. To date, the participating businesses include: Advantage Personal Training, Black Hawk Fishing, CT Sporting Goods, Flanders Bakery, Flanders Fish Market, Justina's Barbershop, Kozlowski Orthodontics, Lillian's Café, Myjoy 747, Pools Etc, Stop & Shop, That Look, Twist Yarn Shop, Wisdom Within Counseling, and more! A special thanks to all these businesses!

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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/2019Read4Fun by September 13, 2019 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.

Something New!
This year Connecticut Sporting Goods will be sponsoring a separate raffle based on how many books a student reads! To be eligible for the Gold Medal ($90 GC) you must read at least 12 books. To be eligible for the Silver Medal ($60 GC) you must read at least 9 books and to eligible for the Bronze Medal ($30 GC) you must read at least 6 books. All you need to do is fill out the attached log and submit it to Mrs. Sasso by September 13, 2019. This is in addition to your Summer Reading Log.

Summer Reading Suggested Titles:
Most of the 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.

Have fun reading!
Mrs. Sasso

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