**SUMMER READING!**

Dear Burr Parents,

Summer is a wonderful time to enjoy quality time with friends and family. It is also an opportune time to read together, enjoying stories and learning new information from books. When parents read books with their children, they are building language and new knowledge with their loved ones. They also create wonderful memories and experiences which stay with children for many years.

Burr will be participating in the 2014 Governor’s Summer Reading Challenge. Your child will be asked to fill out a log of his/her summer reading. Turning the log in to next year’s teachers will help our staff get to know your children as readers. We urge you to help us meet our goal – **100% of our students will read this summer**!

Please encourage your child to explore different types of books. Read with your child or invite your child to read quietly for at least 20 minutes a day.

We encourage you to visit the Fairfield Public Library, where our town librarians are looking forward to helping you select books from the list. Reading can take you on adventures, broaden your experiences and make you laugh. It can also open up new worlds and opportunities that will enhance your life. We wish all this for you as you leave for summer recess.

**Here is a link to the Governor’s Reading Challenge:**

<http://www.sde.ct.gov/sde/lib/sde/pdf/ctread/SR2014_parentinfo_english.pdf>

**Here are links to many other great resources for you:**

www.bibilinasium <<http://www.bibilinasium>> .com www.readingrockets.org <<http://www.readingrockets.org>>

www.startwithabook.org <<http://www.startwithabook.org>>

<http://www.scholastic.com/ups/campaigns/src-2014/kids>

<http://www.barnesandnoble.com/u/summer-reading/379003570/>

<http://www.rif.org/us/literacy-resources/articles/what-can-families-do-to-keep-children-reading-during-the-summer.htm>

Happy reading!

Sincerely,

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