

Name:	Teacher/Grade (for 2024-25):
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Dear Students,

Summer gives us an opportunity to catch up on reading for fun, as well as spend time doing fun activities with our families. Our "Old MacDonald Had a Book" Summer Reading Program is optional, but everyone is encouraged to participate.

- Students entering **kindergarten through second grade** will color in one space on the GAME BOARD for each book read.
- Students entering grades 3-5 will color one space for each 30 minutes read.
- Additionally, <u>at the end of the summer</u>, all students may color <u>one space</u> for each completed enrichment activity on your GAME BOARD.

Reading can be counted as reading alone, reading to someone/something, being read to, and listening to audio books. You can also count the books/time completed for another reading program for this reading program, as well.

Students who complete all <u>40 spaces</u> in the "*Old MacDonald Had a Book" Summer Reading Program* will be recognized and rewarded. These students will attend a special visit from the Mobile Dairy Classroom with a real cow, a reading badge to add to your shelfmarker in the library, a free pass to see a movie at Sauerbeck Family Drive In, and more!! (Exact date of the celebration will be announced after school starts).

Blessings and Happy Reading! Mrs. Neyhart Library Media Specialist mneyhart@caschools.us

Packets are due no later than Friday, August 9, 2024!

Special Note to Parents: The library sponsors an **optional** summer reading program to help encourage and motivate students to read in a fun way. Research has proven that students who read are more successful in school and later in life. Reading is a lifelong skill that needs to be nourished, both at school and at home. The library program is designed with several goals in mind:

- To encourage the pleasure of reading and related activities
- To help students maintain reading skills throughout the summer
- To promote family interaction related to reading
- To foster family Bible study and individual Bible reading.

Thank you for your support & encouragement!

<u>For recommendations on what to read this summer, please see below.</u> Parents are the ultimate authority on what their child reads. I encourage you to review the books your child is reading to ensure they meet the standards of your home and family.

Book Reviews and Recommendations Resources

- Redeemed Reader redeemedreader.com
- Read Aloud Revival readaloudrevival.com
- Plugged In Online <u>pluggedin.com/books</u>
- Common Sense Media <u>commonsensemedia.org/book-reviews</u>



Book Recommendations from Focus on the Family



Chapter Book Recommendations

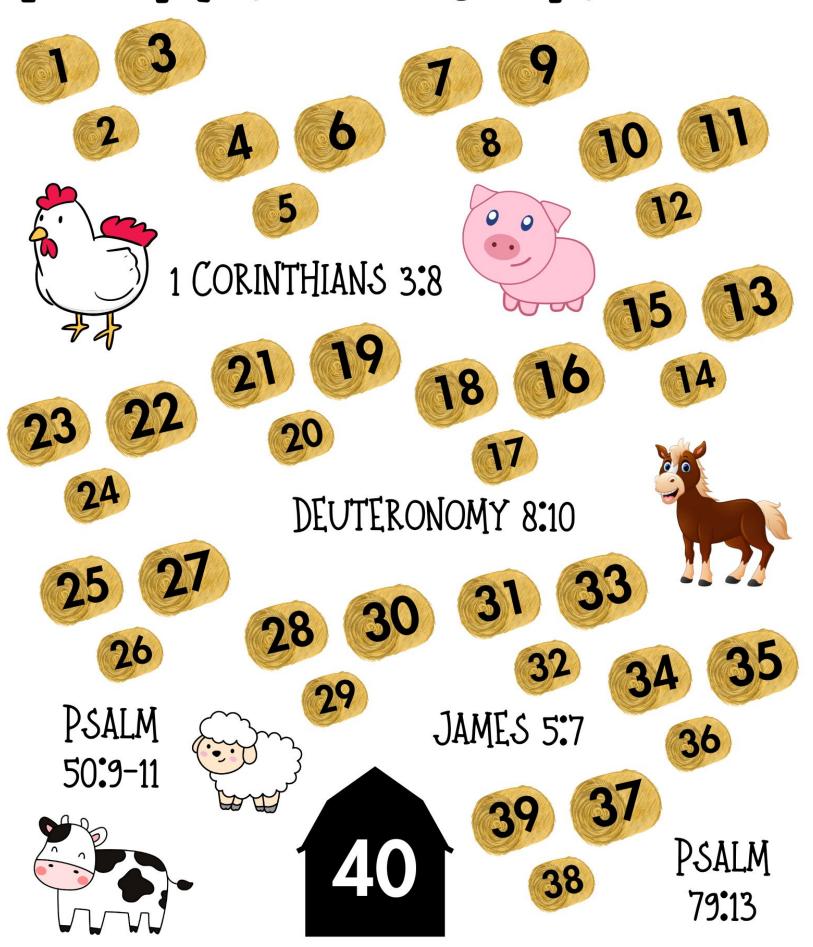


Book Recommendations from The Gospel Coalition

Louisville Free Public Library Summer Reading Program



FARM READING GAME BOARD



Summer Reading Program - Enrichment Activities

Color **one space** on the game board & check the appropriate box when you complete an activity.

Participate in another summer reading program. Turn in proof of participation.
 Do 10 family devotions. List the dates on a piece of paper & turn in.
Participate in a summer service project (pet sit a friend's pet, take donations to a shelter, etc.) & turn in a photo.
Read a book with a FARM word (barn, farmer, scarecrow, cow, etc.) in the title. Write your name, the title of the book, and a short review of the book on a notecard to turn in.
Visit a Free Little Library - Either one in your neighborhood or while you are on vacation. Take a picture of you donating and/or choosing a new book to include in this packet or email to Mrs. Neyhart.
Build a barn out of aluminum foil, paper, toilet paper tubes, etc. What kind of animals would you put in your barn? Make them, too! Turn in a photo of your barn or email it to Mrs. Neyhart.
Go to your kitchen and make a list of at least 10 items that you can find that are made from crops or farm animals. Turn in your list.
Attend Vacation Bible School. Location:
Make a word search puzzle based on farm-related words or a farm-related wordle. Go to abcya.com and search for "word search creator" if making a word search or search for "word cloud" if making a wordle. Print and turn in.
Use the QR code to access our "Old MacDonald Had a Book" digital choice board. Spend some time exploring the digital activities. On a note card name your favorite activity and explain why it was your favorite. Turn in the notecard.
Read Psalm 79:13. Write your own poem or song praising Jesus for being our Good Shepherd. Turn in a copy of your poem/song.
Research "Fun Facts About Farms" from the CASS library website: a. Go to the website: www.caschools.us. Hover over "Quicklinks". b. Click on "Destiny/Library Research." c. Choose your campus link → click the catalog tab on top. d. Click on WebPath Express found on the left side. → Type in "Fun Facts About Farms" in the search box. e. Choose an article from the search results. List 3 of your favorite facts from the article and turn them in.
Create your own farm themed comic strip on paper or using a digital tool like Google Slides. Turn in your comic strip.
Write an acrostic poem for the word FARM. Turn it in.
Take a poll among family, friends, and neighbors to find out what their favorite farm animal is. Turn in the results.
Look up Bible passages relating to fruits/plants, harvests, or farm animals. Make 4 bookmarks illustrating your favorite verses & turn them in.
Take a picture of yourself reading in a creative way keeping the farm theme in mind. Turn it in or email to Mrs. Neyhart.
Listen to an audiobook. Write the title and author of the book on an index card and turn it in.
Keeping the theme in mind, be creative and come up with your own enrichment activity! Turn in proof by way of photos, drawings or writing.

FINAL TALLY - PLEASE USE THE GRADE YOU ARE ENTERING FOR CALCULATIONS

Entering Grades K-2 Number of books read		
Entering Grades 3-5 Number of half hours read		
Number of Enrichment Activities		
Grand Total (Number of spaces colored in on board)		
PARENT VERIFICATION SIGNATURE		

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