



LEADING THE WAY

The Central Bucks Schools will provide all students with the academic and problem-solving skills essential for personal development, responsible citizenship, and life-long learning.

Summer 2021

Dear Parents/Guardians:

This summer we are implementing a new theme for summer reading ~ “Books as Windows, Mirrors and Sliding Glass Doors”. Rudine Bishop best explains this theme, sharing that books provide “views of worlds that may be real or imagined... and readers have only to walk through in imagination to become part of whatever world has been created by the author.” Bishop further explains how “literature transforms human experience and reflects it back to us, and in that reflection we can see our own lives and experiences as part of the larger human experience.”

Our goal is to provide students with a powerful way of understanding the importance of their own experience, while also gaining a greater appreciation of the experience of others. Students will be encouraged to choose books with the “windows and mirrors” theme that are of interest to them. When students are engaged in reading books of their choosing, reading becomes an *empowering* part of their lives.

We encourage you to be involved in conversations with your child about the book they choose. When family plays an active role in their child’s reading life, students can witness firsthand the role reading can play in their lives. We also hope to generate a lot of enthusiasm for summer reading!

Holicong students should select a book of their choice and complete the summer reading bookmark that is attached in the Holicong Summer Reading flyer. Every book falls into the category of a window or a mirror and therefore students should not stress about book choice. Rather, we encourage students to read for pleasure! Students will work with their teachers during the 2021-2022 school year to decide where their book fits in the windows and mirrors theme.

Thank you for being an important part of our reading community!

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