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St. Isidore the Farmer

Monday Fifth Week of Easter

Dear Families,

 Our school year is quickly coming to a close. It has been a wonderful year with your children.

This week is the last week students will borrow books from our school library. Books should be returned at the next library class. Any books that are lost or damaged will need to be paid for so that an appropriate replacement may be obtained. Students may not receive their report card at the end of the year if anything is owed to the school.

 I wanted to share with you some wonderful ways to keep reading over the summer:

**Bucks County Library – James A. Michener Branch:** Our Quakertown public library is open all summer M-T-W-Th from 10 a.m.-9 p.m.; F 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; S 9 a.m.-5 p.m. and it is air-conditioned. There are many events available during the summer and all year long. Please visit [www.buckslib.org](http://www.buckslib.org) for more information, or just stop by and visit.

**American Library Association:** The American Library Association shares summer reading lists and award winning titles on their website. Please visit <http://www.ala.org/search-results?as_q=summer%20reading%202017> for additional information.

**Barnes and Noble:** Offers a summer reading program for rising 1st to 6th graders that begins this week and continues until September 5. Students read eight (8) books of their choice and complete a reading journal. They bring the completed reading journal to a Barnes and Noble store and choose a FREE book from the selected titles available. Please visit your local Barnes and Noble store or [www.barnesandnoble.com](http://www.barnesandnoble.com) for information.

**Book It! Program:** The Book It! Program that partners with Pizza Hut during the school year is partnering with Candlewick Press to provide summer reading activities for kids. Please visit <http://www.bookitprogram.com/summer/default.asp> for additional information and available downloads.

**Scholastic Summer Reading Challenge:** Scholastic offers an interactive online summer reading challenge at the website <http://www.scholastic.com/ups/campaigns/src-2017/> . This program began on May 8. Students are encouraged to read throughout the summer and log their minutes to help read for a world record, unlock activities and earn rewards. The program continues through September 8.

I have suggested to most classes, that they should read wherever they are over the summer. Read road signs and billboards when you are in the car. If your family gets the Sunday paper, read the comics or the sports page with them. Find a recipe or project book (food or craft) and practice math, science, and reading skills as well as practicing following directions. When you are finished you will have an item to enjoy or better yet, share with someone else. Even the mistakes can still be good, and if they are not you’ll probably get a good laugh over the lesson learned.

I pray that God will bless you and your family with peace, joy and love this summer.

Thank you for choosing St. Isidore School for your family.

Sincerely,

 Mrs. Shuster