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Dear Parents and Students,

Summer vacation is right around the corner. That means that it is once again time to challenge our OLPH students to become ***Champion Summer Readers!*** In this way they will continue to fine tune those reading skills they have gained over the school year. This is how it will work.

At each grade level, students are given a **reading goal** for the summer. That goal is set by grade-level teachers. Students take the goal for the grade they will be entering into in the fall. For the **primary grades**, the goal represents the **minimum number of books** students must read to qualify as a **2011 Champion Summer Reader**. For **grades 4-8**, the goal represents the **minimum number of pages** students must read to qualify as a 2011 Champion Summer Reader. Students will be given a **reading log** on which they will record all books which they read over the summer. When we return to school in August, the summer reading logs will be turned in to their new teachers for the 2011-2012 school year. **Remember, a reading log must be turned in to receive credit for books read.** These logs will be directed to the library. Every student who has met or surpassed their reading goal for the summer will be awarded a 2011 Champion Summer Reader Certificate as well as have their name displayed in the library. Every champion reader's name will also go into a drawing to be held at the end of August.

Keep in mind that all books read should be **age/grade-level appropriate**. Kindergarten students may still have books read to them to be included on their reading log. The following websites offer much information which can be helpful to you in making good book selections: [www.haisln.org](http://www.haisln.org) and [www.childrensbooks.about.com](http://www.childrensbooks.about.com). Our Scottsdale and Phoenix Public Libraries are also a great resource.

Thank you to all parents for the encouragement you give your students regarding summer reading. Keep cool with a good book!

Sincerely,  
OLPH Teachers  
Mrs. Zerangue, Librarian