

Dear TKA Elementary Families,

One of our main goals at the Elementary level is to develop a love of reading within each student. Furthermore, we wish to challenge them to think critically regarding what they have they read, pushing past simple comprehension and developing individual thoughts and ideas based on the content. A strong summer reading program is one way for us to begin this process of developing critical thinkers and exceptional readers.

Summer reading should be a fun experience for your child, as well as a painless one for you as parents. Below is a brief overview of the program and a quick reference guide for locating summer reading information. As always, if you have any questions regarding summer reading, please do not hesitate to contact me. Welcome to The King's Academy and happy reading!

Sincerely,  
Melissa Allen  
Assistant Elementary Principal

**Summer Reading Requirements:** Students entering grades Kindergarten through 6<sup>th</sup> grade will have one required summer reading book to be completed before the first day of school. This book will be utilized for discussion and beginning Language Arts assignments. Students should also read one additional book of his/her choice from the suggested reading list. The attached Book Form must be completed by the student for the selected book reading and submitted to the teacher on Friday, August 11, 2017. A parent signature is required.

**Grade Level Suggested Reading:** Please visit the TKA website, clicking on "Elementary Summer Reading" and entering the summer reading area. Next, you will want to select the icon labeled "Approved reading list" for your child's appropriate grade.

**Summer Reading Suggestions:** AR Bookfinder [www.arbookfind.com](http://www.arbookfind.com) is great tool for locating books on your student's reading level. Choose fiction or non-fiction books that reflect interest and reading ability. The book chosen to do for the in-class project should be one read closest to returning to school.