Hello PBA Families!

There are two things I would love for you to *TALK UP to your kids!* Motivate! Create Enthusiasm! **Prevent the Summer Slide!!** Encourage summer reading!!!!

The first thing is the Barnes & Noble Summer Reading Program. If students follow the directions on the Reading Journal and fill out the information about 8 books that they read over the summer, they can then bring the Journal to any Barnes & Noble store to receive a <u>free book</u> of their choice!

The second is the Brevard County "TAG, YOU'RE IT" anti-Summer Slide Reading Program. The kids can actually use the same books for both programs and get double the rewards!! The TAG booklet has great information for parents, and a page for the kids to keep track of their reading. For this, they need to read 10 books, and simply record the titles. Simple! When school starts, teachers will ask their new classes if they completed the summer reading program and give rewards (special recognition, treasure box, lunch with teacher, homework pass, certificate, whatever) to those who have their sheets. VPK students are being given this pamphlet as well, so Kindergarten teachers can expect finished sheets as well.

Your child will bring home booklets about each program this week. Please talk both programs up with your kids!! They need you to help motivate them! If you excite them about these projects, your children will be ready to fly in August! Work your magic, parents!! \odot

Thank you!! - Nina Orellana, Title 1 Coordinator