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“Building Bridges, Enhancing Opportunities, Leaving Legacies”

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Dear Vernon Families,

Happy Summer!

We read to learn about the world. We read to reflect on our experiences. We read to imagine. And as C.S. Lewis said, “We read to know we’re not alone.”

Our literacy team has prepared the following reading resources to support you and your children during the summer months. They are available at www.obenschools.org.

- An exciting list of books and digital resources-Help your children take advantage of a wide array of digital collections to find stories or texts that tap into their curiosity and engage their imagination.
- The Parents’ Summer Reading Survival Guide-A colleague designed this guide, which is based on knowledge, skills, and understandings that she has refined over years of working with young readers. It has some great tips.
- A set of questions, which are aligned to bands of textual complexity, to help you talk to your children about their reading. This list of questions will help you determine what reading work your children should be doing when reading texts.
- A fun summer reading activity that invites your children to read regularly and offers ideas for thinking about spaces they have made for reading and types of texts they might enjoy.

Thank you for a wonderful school year and for helping your child continue to love reading!

Very truly yours,

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