

*In the name of God, most Compassionate, most Merciful*



Al Ihsan School of Excellence

**Summer Reading Program 2020  
For Students Entering 1st through 5th Grade**

Assalamu Alaikum Parents and Guardians,

This summer we will be continuing the summer reading program using distance learning resources. You will find each grade's Reading BINGO Cards and Reading Logs on our school website ([alihsanschool.net](http://alihsanschool.net)). Students will be expected to complete using the provided suggestions for summer reading and literacy activities. Please print the bingo card and log for your child to keep track of what they read. There are many resources for audiobooks and animated storytellings on the Cleveland Public Library and Cuyahoga County Library websites.

**All summer BINGO cards and reading logs will be collected at the beginning of the school year and students will be expected to complete a project based on one of the books read over summer break.**

Instead of a written assignment or test based upon summer reading, we ask that students entering 1st - 5th grades simply keep a reading log, listing the title and the author of each book they read. (A copy of a grade appropriate "reading log" is provided). These logs, along with the BINGO card will be turned in and graded as a first-quarter reading grade. Our goal is to offer more student-centered opportunities that will allow for more creativity.

At the beginning of the school year, students will be required to complete a project based on a book they read. Classroom teachers will provide the framework and rubrics for project expectations and work with their students to help them decide how they would like to present their favorite book. The presentations will take place some time during the first few weeks of school and do not need to be completed before students return to school. This project will be taken as a grade for Reading.

We encourage parents and guardians of students entering 1st - 5th grades to be actively involved in the book selection process. We encourage students to borrow digital books from Cleveland Public and Cuyahoga County Public Library websites.

With your support we want to make this a summer that encourages your child to fall in love with reading! Books may be the traditional print or eBook versions. Help your child to see the summer as a time when they can dive into books that feed their imagination and special interests. Think about some of the books you read and loved as a child and consider presenting a book talk for your child to spark their interest in reading the book to create a shared memory.

Wishing you a wonderful summer!

Sincerely,

**Amal Saleh**

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