

Hooray for summer! That means that there is lots of time for diving deep into great books! Research shows that the students who read more are more successful in school. Reading is critical for developing vocabulary and language skills, thinking processes in the brain, and the ability to focus and concentrate.

At O'Dea, we expect all students to continue reading over the summer. We're sponsoring two great opportunities to continue to read. (The public libraries and local bookstores also offer summer reading programs.) Students can take advantage of all of these programs together and collect some major prizes! One 15-minute block of reading can count for the O'Dea program, the library program, and Barnes & Noble's program as well!

REQUIRED READING

Each grade level has selected a book for students to read over the summer. Students will be given a copy of this book to read and keep.

Included with the book is a simple book report for students to complete over the summer. It is expected that your student will read the book and complete the book report.

During the first week back to school, students will turn in the book report and their teachers will lead them in some class discussions and activities based on their summer reading.

Due in the classroom: the first week of school

STRONGLY RECOMMENDED

We are also hosting our summer reading challenge. It is optional but strongly recommended.

We challenge each student to read a minimum of 15 minutes per day, 5 days per week, 10 weeks this summer.

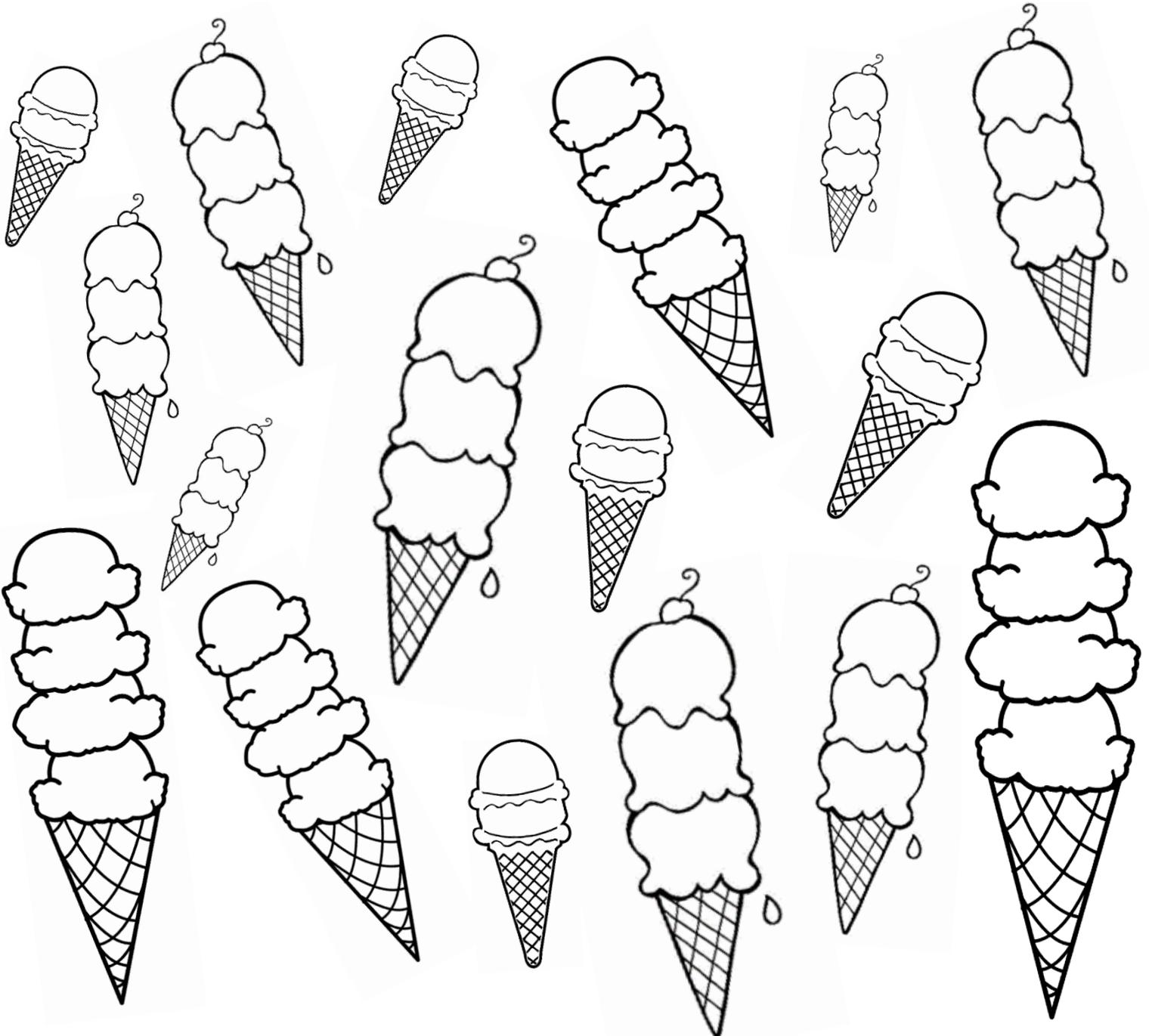
For each day you read at least 15 minutes, you can color in a scoop of ice cream. If you read on 50 days this summer, you can come for the super fun summer reading ice cream sundae party!

Keep track all summer long and bring the reading log back to school by August 30 and you can join the ice cream sundae party on September 6.

Due in the office: Friday August 30, 2019

Keep Track of Your Reading!!!

For each day you read 15 minutes or more, color in one scoop of ice cream. Read 50 days, color in all the scoops, bring this back to school before Friday August 30, and you'll join the ice cream sundae party!



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Parent signature

Return completed form to the front office by Friday, August 30 to join the ice cream sundae party