

Battle of the Books Starts October 13th!



All 3rd-5th graders are eligible for Battle of the Books! Please email Beth Sethi at obob@mitchcharterschool.org if your child is interested in participating.

What is OBOB? The Oregon Battle of the Books (OBOB) is a statewide reading motivation and comprehension program. At MITCH, students in 3rd-5th grade, regardless of ability, will be exposed to quality literature representing a variety of literary styles and viewpoints. The mission is to encourage and recognize reading and teamwork. Students of ALL reading levels are welcome to join.

Students read a selection of books (minimum of four) from a pre-selected list of sixteen OBOB books. The school has extra books students can borrow.

When and Where: Thursdays after school from 2:40-3:20 beginning October 13th (no club October 20th) through end of February. Participating students need to attend all OBOB meetings as they will be part of a team. Classroom location TBD.

What will they do? Participants will be placed in teams of four. They will work with the same team the whole year and compete in fun “battles” to test their comprehension and knowledge of the books they read. Students can earn small prizes and we’ll keep track and celebrate what they read on a club chart.

Who is running it? This is a parent run club so parents are needed to help out. Beth Sethi is the parent coordinator. Parents are welcome to sit in on the OBOB club anytime, regardless of whether they are helping that week.

Who can participate? Any student in grades 3-5 as of fall 2016, regardless of reading level. The 16 OBOB books represent a variety of interests and reading levels.

How do we sign up? If you signed up last spring, no need to do that again. If you would like to add your child to the list, email Beth at obob@mitchcharterschool.org. The first meeting (Oct. 13th, 2:40-3:20) will be an informational time for kids (parents are welcome) to find out what it’s all about. Kids who are unsure are welcome to come. We’ll ask kids for a commitment after the first meeting.

Some OBOB books for 2017 include: Because of Mr. Terupt by Rob Buyea; Escaping the Giant Wave by Peg Kehret; Harry Potter and the Sorcerer’s Stone by J.K. Rowling; Hook’s Revenge by Heidi Schulz; Knucklehead by Jon Scieszka; Joshua Dread by Lee Bacon; Rescue on the Oregon Trail by Kate Messner; A Snicker of Magic by Natalie Lloyd; Miss Spitfire by Sarah Miller; Small Steps: The Year I Got Polio by Peg Kehret; Upside Down Magic by Sarah Mlynowski; Woof by Spencer Quinn

Here’s to a great year of reading!