

Meet the Teaching Staff

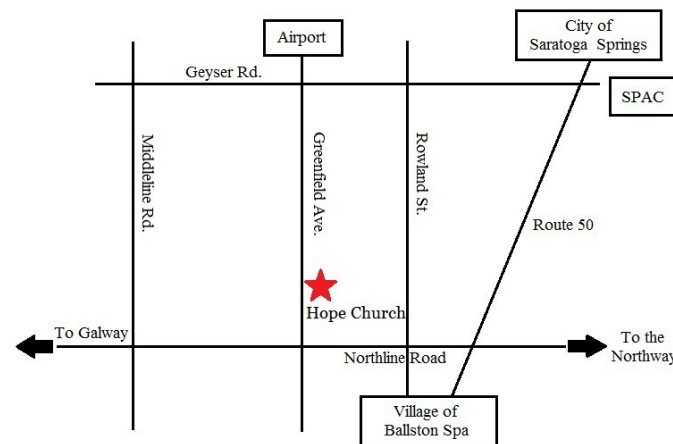
Melanie Combs graduated from SUNY Plattsburgh with a Bachelors Degree in Elementary Education and a Masters Degree in Special Education. She has been teaching 2nd grade at Spa Christian School for seventeen years. Melanie is the Director of Christian Education at Hope Church and tutors during the summer.

Jill Galarneau graduated from SUNY Geneseo with a Bachelors and Masters Degree in Speech Pathology. She worked for sixteen years as a speech therapist in preschool. For the last eight years she has worked in K-6 in the Schenectady City Schools. She is mother of three, grandmother of one and teaches Sunday School at Hope Church.

David Whitehead graduated from Oneonta State Teachers College. He did graduate work in education at SUNY Potsdam, Albany, and Brockport. He taught 5th grade for eighteen years at Dorothy Nolan and Geysers Road School. For twenty years he taught remedial math and enrichment in various Saratoga Schools. He enjoys working with children and loves the great outdoors.

Rae Whitehead graduated from SUNY Brockport with majors in English and Elementary education. She did graduate work in education in Brockport, Albany and Russell Sage. She taught for 23-1/2 years in the Saratoga School district and at Spa Christian School. Rae is an advocate for play and developmentally appropriate education for children in their early years.

Disclaimer: This program is not run by reading specialists but by teachers and volunteers. We hope to give your children a helpful boost before school starts.



Hope Church
206 Greenfield Avenue
Ballston Spa, NY 12020

Register at www.hopechurch.us or
contact: Melanie Combs
Phone: 518-605-7396



CAMP H.O.P.E.

Healthy Options for Play and Education

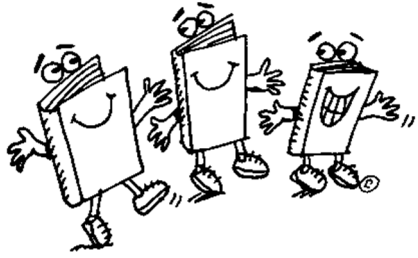


Racing to Read in Rio: Reading Olympics

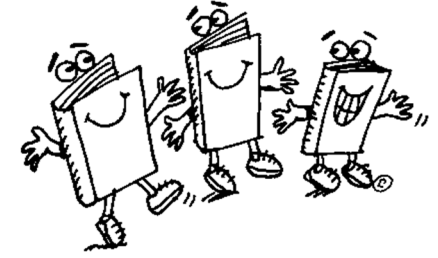
Summer Reading Camp

August 8—12th, 2016

9:00 - 12:00 noon



FOR ALL CHILDREN GOING INTO 1ST THROUGH 5TH GRADES



Our Purpose Statement

- ◆ *To encourage and promote a love for and enjoyment of reading*
- ◆ *To provide children with an opportunity to practice previously learned reading skills*
- ◆ *To provide opportunities for learning through peer interaction and physical activities*
- ◆ *To foster confidence and a positive attitude in the children about the coming school year*

Racing to Read in Rio this summer as we work on:

- ◆ Listening Skills
- ◆ Vocabulary
- ◆ Visualization and Verbalization
- ◆ Comprehension
- ◆ Synonyms/Antonyms/
Homophones
- ◆ Rhyming/Rhythm
- ◆ Spelling
- ◆ Phonics

We will do this through:

- ◆ Picture Books
- ◆ Fantasy Fiction
- ◆ Realistic Fiction
- ◆ Non-Fiction
- ◆ Poetry

Daily Events

- ◆ Arrival at 9:00 a.m.
- ◆ Open/Gather Activity
- ◆ Focused Instruction
- ◆ Games
- ◆ Crafts
- ◆ Large Group Music/Story Time
- ◆ Dismissal at 12:00 noon

Friday Events

- ◆ Closing Program at 11:45 a.m.
- ◆ Family Picnic at 12:00 noon

GET IN THE GAME
READ