

SUMMER READING 2007

For students who are going into FIRST GRADE



Our goal for Summer Reading is to have your child expand their ability to communicate through speaking, listening, reading, and writing. Children should have daily opportunities to read or hear high quality children's literature and non-fiction books.

This process will encourage the reinforcement of letter and sound-symbol recognition, and maintain sight word vocabulary.

When children are exposed to print, they can derive and predict the meaning of the text and will be able to retell what has been read in proper sequence.

Please make time daily to read aloud to your child. Choose books according to your child's interests. Children are encouraged to choose other titles from the authors listed below. If your child does not have a library card from your local library, please obtain one for them!

Book Selections:

<i>Adventures of Isabel</i>	Ogden Nash
<i>Alice the Fairy</i> (Caldecott Honor)	David Shannon
<i>Aloha Delores</i>	Barbara Samuels
<i>Bats at the Beach</i>	Brian Lies
<i>Duck at the Door</i>	Jackie Urbanovic
<i>Ducks Don't Get Wet</i>	Augusta R. Goldin
<i>Egg is Quiet, The</i>	Dianna Aston
<i>Garth Pig and the Ice Cream Lady</i>	Mary Rayner
<i>Gigantic: How Big Were the Dinosaurs?</i>	Patrick O'Brien
<i>Hailstones and Halibut Bones</i> (poetry)	Mary O'Neil
<i>How I Became a Pirate</i>	Shannon Long
<i>Humpty Dumpty Egg-Splodes</i>	Kevin O'Malley
<i>I Like Me!</i>	Nancy Carlson
<i>JoJo's Flying Sidekick</i>	Brian Pinkney
<i>Julius the Baby of the World</i>	Kevin Henkes
<i>McDuff's New Friend</i>	Rosemary Wells
<i>Mr. Seahorse</i>	Eric Carle
<i>Mrs. Wishy Washy</i>	Joy Cowley
<i>Scranimals:Poems</i>	Jack Prelutsky
<i>There's a Monster Under My Bed</i>	James Howe
<i>There's a Nightmare in My Closet</i>	Mercer Mayer
<i>Today I Will Fly!</i>	Mo Willems
<i>You're the Boss Baby Duck</i>	Amy Hest

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Continued First Grade

Independent Readers:

An I Can Read Book-Level 1

Who Will Be My Friend

And I Mean it, Stanley

Good Night, Good Knight series

Green Light Readers Series-Level 1

Down the Farm

Sometimes

What I See

Young Cam Jansen Series

Syd Hoff

Crosby Bonsall

Shelley Moore

Rita Lascaro

Keith Baker

Holly Keller

David A. Adler

Activities:

- Draw four things that rhyme with cat.
- Write about the best thing you did this summer and illustrate it.
- Write your full name two times and zero through twenty once.
- Draw six things that begin with the same sound as *Daddy* and then try the same sound as *Mommy*.
- Find the word *see* and *like* as many times as you can in print.
- Use a flashlight to write letters on the wall.
- Draw a picture of your favorite part of yesterday's book.
- How many times can you find and underline the word *the* on the front page of today's newspaper.
- Count the light switches in your house. Are there more upstairs than downstairs?
- Count the number of items you bought at the grocery store.
- Send a postcard to the Unquowa School Library.

Summer Skills:

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