

Incoming Second Graders

2020 Suggested Summer Reading List & Reading Log

Dear Parents,

Reading, like a sport, involves practice and skill. Real skill building occurs when children read for pleasure, when children read “just right” books, that is, books that are not too hard and not too easy, and when children can explore books about those topics that interest them. The more they practice with someone’s encouragement, suggestions and praise, the better and more confident readers they will become.

Summer reading helps children get excited about reading and attending school in the fall. Attached you will find a list of suggested books that are appropriate for your child to read, or for you to read to them. You or your child can record the books they have read on the log during the summer. Any books your child reads can be added to the log, not just the ones on this list. **Your child is required to read at least 10 books**. However, the more the better! I strongly recommend you join the summer reading program at your local library. When school begins next year, please return the reading log and math packet to me. Children who return the log will be presented with a Summer Reading Certificate of Participation. Attached, please find a list of recommended books and the reading log to be filled out and turned in.

Have a great summer and keep on reading!

Kind Regards,

Mrs. Rizzo 

****Some exciting reading activities your child can do include:**

- Kids ages 10 and under can join Pottery Barn Kids’ Summer Reading Challenge online. If they finish any of the site’s reading lists, they can get a free book from the store.
- Elementary students can get a free book from Barnes and Noble’s “Imagination Destination” program when you download and finish an online reading journal.
- Your local public library should have a summer reading program for your child. I strongly encourage all children to participate in this type of program.

Recommended books for incoming Second Graders:

Magic School Bus series

Feel the Wind by Arthur Dorros

On the Same Day in March by Marilyn Singer

The Sun by Seymour Simon

The Great Kapok Tree: A Tale of the Amazon Rain Forest by Lynne Cherry

The Adventures of Taxi Dog by Debra Barracca,

Martha Blah Blah by Susan Meddaugh

Zelda and Ivy by Laura McGee Kvasnosky

A Fly Went By by Mike McClintock

I'm Not Going to Get Up Today by Dr. Seuss

The Best Seat in Second Grade by Katharine Kenah

Cherish Today by Kristina Evans

The Snowy Day by Ezra Jack Keats

The Color of Us by Karen Katz

Amazing Grace by Mary Hoffman

Slinky, Scaly Snakes by Jennifer Dussling

Let's Read and Find Out series by various authors.

Giggle, Giggle, Quack by Doreen Cronin

A Giraffe and a Half by Shel Silverstein

Surprising Sharks by Nicola Davies

See You in Second Grade by Miriam Cohen

Nate the Great series by Marjorie Weinman Sharmat

Henry & Mudge series by Cynthia Rylant

Junie B. Jones series by Barbara Park & Denise Brunkus

Elephant and Piggie series by Mo Willems

Froggy series by J. London

Magic Tree House by Mary Pope Osborne

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Summer Reading Log (2nd Grade)

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** Any additional books read can be recorded on the back 

