Dear New First Grader,

Congratulations on completing a fantastic year of learning! Summer is a great time to relax, explore, and let your imagination soar. To keep your reading skills sharp and make your summer even more enjoyable, we have an exciting summer reading assignment just for you! Get ready for a summer filled with wonderful stories and adventures.

- 1. Choose at least five books to read over the summer. You can pick books from your local library, bookstore, or even from your own bookshelf at home. Select books that interest you, whether they are picture books, storybooks, or early chapter books. Feel free to ask your parents or librarian for suggestions! A list of suggested books is attached.*
- 2. Keep a reading journal (you will receive a copy) to record the books you read. Write down the title and author of each book, along with a brief summary of your favorite part or what you liked about the story. You can also draw a picture related to the book or create a bookmark for each one.
- 3. Try to read at least 15 minutes every day. Find a cozy spot where you can curl up with a book and let your imagination take flight. You can read independently or with a family member or friend. Remember, reading can happen anywhere, whether it's at the park, by the beach, or even under a shady tree.
- 4. Share your reading adventures. Talk to your family or friends about the books you read. Share what you enjoyed most, any interesting characters you encountered, or exciting places you discovered in the stories. You can even start a mini book club with other first graders in your neighborhood.
- 5. Get creative! Choose one of your favorite books and create a book-inspired craft or project. It could be a diorama, a character puppet, or even a short play based on the story. Use your imagination to bring the book to life in a fun and unique way. **This is optional!!

Remember, reading opens doors to new worlds, sparks your imagination, and helps you discover new ideas. We hope you have a fantastic time with your summer reading adventure. Enjoy the stories, explore new horizons, and let your love for reading grow!

Wishing you a wonderful summer filled with joy, laughter, and many captivating books.

Happy reading!

The First Grade Teachers

Summer Reading List for First Grade

- My Toothbrush is Missing by Jan Thomas
- What is Chasing Duck? by Jan Thomas
- <u>Figgy and Boone: Best Brother Ever</u> by Janee Trasler
- Pig Makes Art by Laura Gehl
- Friends Do Not Eat Friends (Thunder and Cluck) by Jill Esbaum
- We Are in a Book by Mo Willems (all Elephant and Piggie books are fantastic!)
- <u>I'm On It (Elephant & Piggie Like Reading)</u> by Andrea Tsurumi
- <u>Ed and Ted and Ted's Dog Fred</u> by Andy Griffiths
- Hi, Jack! by Mac Barnett & Greg Pizzoli
- That Egg is Mine by Liz Goulet Dubois
- <u>Let's Make Cake (Bobo and Pup Pup)</u> by Vikram Madan
- <u>I Did It!</u> by Michael Emberley
- Ruby and the Magic Garden (Fairy Hill) by Cari Meister
- We Are Growing by Laurie Keller
- Don't Worry, BEE Happy by Ross Burach
- <u>Frog Meets Dog</u> by Janee Trasler
- Big Cat by Ethan Long
- The Cookie Fiasco by Dan Santat
- <u>Trucktown</u> by Jon Scieszka
- Peach and Plum Here We Come! by Tim McCanna (graphic novel)
- <u>Emerson Is Mighty Girl!</u> by Meredith Rusu
- Kit and Kaboodle Take the Train by Michelle Portice
- <u>Unlimited Squirrels in I Lost My Tooth!</u> by Mo Willems
- Nick and Nack Fly a Kite by Brandon Budzi
- Pass the Ball, Mo! by David A. Adler
- <u>Do You Like My Bike? (Hello, Hedgehog!)</u> by Norm Feuti
- The Great Bunk Bed Battle by Tina Kugler
- Fly Guy by Tedd Arnold
- See the Cat: Three Stories About a Dog by David LaRochelle
- An Elephant & Piggie Biggie! by Mo Willems
- Meet Mo and Jo: The Boulder Brothers by Sarah Lynn
- <u>See the Dog: Three Stories About a Cat</u> by David LaRochelle
- Surfs Up by Luke Flowers
- <u>Frog and Toad are Friends</u> by Arnold Lobel

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SPPS Summer Reading Log

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