Dear New Third Grader,

Congratulations on completing another 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.

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.

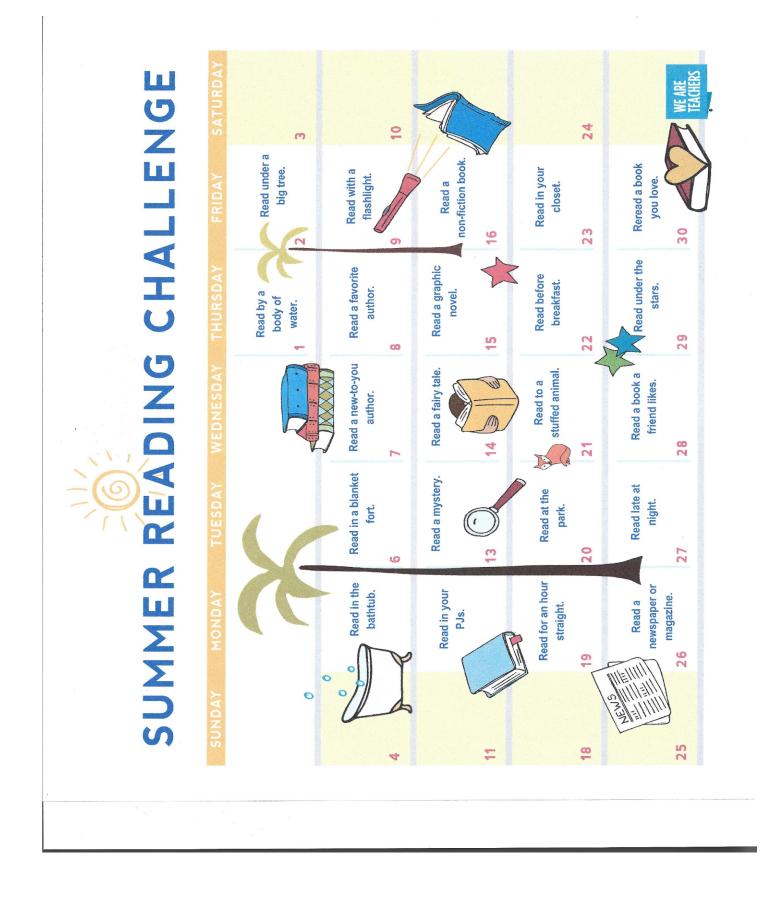
Happy reading!

The Third Grade Teachers

Summer Reading List for Third Grade

- <u>Cat Ninja</u> by Matthew Cody (book series)
- <u>Mr. Wolf's Class: Mystery Club</u> by Aron Nels Steinke (book series)
- <u>P.I. Butterfly Gone Guppy Case #1</u> by Karen Kilpatrick (book series)
- *First Cat in Space* by Mac Barnett, illustrated by Shawn Harris (book series)
- Dragon Kindom of Wrenly: The Coldfire Curse by Jordan Quinn (book series)
- <u>Simon and Chester: Super Detectives</u> by Cale Atkinson (book series)
- <u>Hound Heroes: Beware the Claw</u> by Todd H. Doodler (book series)
- King of the Birds by Elise Gravel (book series)
- Doodle Adventures: The Search for Slimy Space Slugs! by Mike Lowery (book series)
- <u>The 13-Story Treehouse</u> by Andy Griffiths (book series)
- <u>Bad Kitty Supercat</u> by Nick Bruel (book series)
- <u>*Two-Headed Chicken*</u> by Tom Angleberger (book series)
- <u>Cat Kid Comic Club</u> by Dav Pilkey (book series)
- Hamster Princess Harriet the Invincible by Ursula Vernon (book series)
- <u>Real Pigeons Fight Crime</u> by Ben Wood (book series)
- Monday into the Cave of Thieves (Total Mayhem #1) by Ralph Lazar (book series)
- Sarai and the Meaning of Awesome (series) by Sarai Gonzalez and Monica Brown
- Stella Diaz has Something to Say (series) by Angela Dominguez
- Ellie, Engineer (series) by Jackson Pearce
- Planet Omar (series) by Zanib Mian
- Mindy Kim and the Yummy Seaweed Business (series) by Lyla Lee
- <u>Stink and the Shark Sleepover</u> (series) by Megan McDonald
- I Survived the San Francisco Earthquake (series) by Lauren Tarshis
- <u>Trapped in a Video Game</u> (series) by Dustin Brady
- <u>P.I. Butterfly Gone Guppy Case #1</u> (series) by Karen Kilpatrick
- Mac Undercover (Kid Spy #1) (series) by Mac Barnett
- Secret Agent Jack Stalwart (series) by Elizabeth Singer Hunt
- The Great Shelby Holmes (series) by Elizabeth Eulberg
- Word Travelers and the Taj Mahal Mystery (series) by Raj Haldar

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