



Dear Parent:

We would like to continue the practice of encouraging students to read books appropriate to their reading level during the summer. Incoming second graders are required to read at least two books. In some cases these may be chapter books. Please help your child choose a book that he or she can read and respond to. A good way to tell if your child will be able to read a book is the Five Finger Rule. Have your child read the first page of the book. Each time they cannot read a word on their own they should put up a finger. If they put up five fingers on the first page or two, then the book is probably too difficult for them.

During their first grade experience, the students learned about using a site map to tell the events of a story in order. Please have your child read the books and then have them use the attached site maps--(these look like flow charts)--to tell the events of the stories in order. These are to be handed into me during the first week of school. Thank you!

I also suggest that students enter a summer reading program at the local library to enhance their appreciation of reading.

Book series that may be appropriate to your child's reading level include, but are not limited to the following:

Henry and Mudge
Frog and Toad
Mr. Putter and Tabby
Arthur
Amelia Bedelia
Little Bear

These series are used by Foundations and Frameworks. The following are other books suggested by Foundations and Frameworks and may be available at your local library:

David and the Giant
A New House for Mole and Mouse

Daniel's Mystery Egg
The Prince's Loose Tooth
A Class Play with Ms. Vanilla
Shoe Town
Aunt Eater Loves a Mystery
Bears! (Time for Kids Science Scoops)
Pets to the Rescue: Brave Norman
Abe Lincoln's Hat
The Best Chief in Second Grade
The Case of the Climbing Cat (High Rise series)
Bees! (Time for Kids Science Scoops)
Volcanoes: Mountains that Blow Their Tops
Barney's Horse
Johnny Appleseed: My Story
Martha Washington
The Girl Who Struck Out Babe Ruth

Informational stories about animals, plants, weather, etc. at their reading level are also acceptable. If they choose this kind of book, they should use the site map to organize what they learned first, next, and so on.

In Him,

Mrs. Feragne

Complete and return the confirmation slip on the first week of school together with the site maps.

SUMMER READING CONFIRMATION FORM

Student's name: _____

Author: _____

Title: _____

Author: _____

Title: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Name: _____

Book

Title: _____ Chapter/pages _____

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