

1st Grade Summer Reading

2016

Incoming 1st grade students will be expected to read a minimum of 6 books (noted on reading log) and complete **one** project based on **one** of the six summer reading selections. These projects were created to promote creativity, engagement, and fun with reading! Students will have the choice of picking from a variety of projects in which they will then bring with them during the first week of school.

Each student will be responsible for reading at least one book from each series listed below. Upon completion the book should be entered on the reading log attached. By the end of the summer there should be a *minimum* of six books listed.

- Little Critter Series – Mercer Meyer
- Berenstain Bears Series – Jan and Stan Berenstain
- Dr. Seuss Series – Dr. Seuss
- Froggy Series – Jonathan London
- Fancy Nancy Series – Jane O’Connor
- Elephant and Piggie Series – Mo Willems

Each student must then complete **one** of the activities below to go with one of the books read above from the series list. Below you will find a list of different activities your child may choose from...remember, your child is only choosing one!

- Make a map of where the events in the book take place.
- Make a list of 5 words and definitions important to the story.
- Write 5 things you learned while reading the book in complete sentences.
- Make a poster about the book. Use paint, crayons, chalk, paper, ink or any other art materials.
- Pretend that you can spend a day with one of the characters. Which character would you choose and why? (5 sentences)

Remember!!!: By maintaining an active literacy life over the summer, you ensure your child the best start to the next grade level.

Important note to parents: PLEASE DON’T BECOME CONCERNED OVER READING LEVELS: In the lower elementary grades, each child is developing on their own continuum, and it is useless to assess your child’s strengths as a reader by his/her reading level alone. To develop strength as a reader, children need lots of time to read lots of books that are “just right” for their abilities.