



SCBCS 2023 Summer Reading: Rising Kindergarten

The best way to help your child learn to read is by example! Read to your child every chance you get! Read with excitement, funny voices, and enthusiasm. This will instill a love for reading as well as a motivation to read for your child. Here are some suggestions to make reading a wonderful time in your home.

- Choose books that interest your child
- Let them hear the same book over and over
- Let your child tell the story in their own words
- Make reading nightly a warm, fun, time for all
- Visit the library and let your child choose books to check out
- Don't force your child to sound out the word, just read it!
- Encourage your child to make up their own stories
- Ask questions about the book. What's your favorite part? Why?
- Rhyme! Make up silly words that rhyme together
- Make sure to look carefully and discuss the illustrations- pictures tell the story

Suggested Reading

Dr. Seuss books

Mother Goose rhymes

ABC books with great illustrations

Number books

Stories with repetitive text or predictive text

Picture books of any kind keeping child's interests in mind

Some of our favorites:

Goodnight Moon by Margaret Wise Brown

Brown Bear, Brown Bear What Do You See by Bill Martin Jr.

Chicka Chicka Boom Boom by Bill Martin Jr.

Tikki Tikki Tembo by Arlene Mosel

The Very Hungry Caterpillar by Eric Carle

The Very Busy Spider by Eric Carle

Mighty Mighty Construction Site by Sherri Duskey Rinker & Tom Lichtenheld

Stream Train, Dream Train by Duskey and Lichtenheld

If You Give a Mouse a Cookie by Laura Numeroff

Mrs. Bindergarten Gets Ready for Kindergarten by Joseph Slate

These are just a few recommendations. Your local library will be more than happy to help. Whatever you choose, remember to have fun and your child will not only want to read, they will cherish this time forever.