

Please use the Books listed below as a guide for summer reading. I encourage you to read to your child on a daily basis. Students are not required to do book reports.

Kindergarten Entering First Grade

***1, 2, 3 to the Zoo* - Eric Carle** This counting book is also a colorful train ride to the zoo. With each new spread, a new train car comes into view, each loaded with more animals than the last.

***Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?* - Bill Martin Jr.** The author, Bill Martin, Jr., takes the reader from page to page with a question: "What do you see?" Each page introduces a new character, including a brown bear, red bird, blue horse, and purple cat, all of which are pictured above.

***Click, Clack, Moo: Cows That Type* – Doreen Cronin** When he refuses to comply with their demands, the cows take action. Farmer Brown finds another note on the barn door: "Sorry. We're closed. No milk today."

***Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus* - Mo Willems** On the title page the bus driver addresses the reader directly. He says that he has to be gone for a while and asks if the reader can watch things, but not to let the pigeon drive the bus. **Caldecott Honor Book**

***Ella Sarah Gets Dressed* - Margaret Chodos-Irvine** Ella Sarah may be little, but she has a BIG sense of style--and it isn't at all like that of her mother, father, and older sister.

***What Do You Do with a Tail Like This?* - Robin Page and Steve Jenkins** Children will learn that lizards can completely break off their tail as a defense and that it will grow back. And, they'll find out that crickets' ears are on their knees. Most fish have two eyes, but some have four, the better to see above and below the water at the same time. **Caldecott Honor Book**

***Guess How Much I Love You?* - S. McBratney** A young rabbit named Little Nutbrown Hare thinks he's found a way to measure the boundaries of love. In a heartwarming twist on the "I-can-do-anything-you-can-do-better" theme, Little Nutbrown Hare goes through a series of declarations regarding the breadth of his love for Big Nutbrown Hare.

***If You Give a Mouse a Cookie* - Laura Numeroff** If a hungry little traveler shows up at your house, you might want to give him a cookie. If you give him a cookie, he's going to ask for a glass of milk.

***Millions of Cats* – Wanda Gag** An old man and his wife decide to get a cat, so the old man goes out in search of the prettiest cat of all. **Caldecott Medal Book**

***My Friend Rabbit* – Eric Rohmann** When Mouse lets his best friend, Rabbit, play with his brand-new airplane, trouble isn't far behind. Of course, Rabbit has a solution --but when Rabbit sets out to solve a problem, even bigger problems follow. **Caldecott Medal Book**

***Oliver Button is a Sissy* - Tomie de Paola** A boy is teased by others because he takes dance classes. His classmates change their attitude about him when they see what a good dancer he is.

***Skippyjon Jones* - Judy Schachner** Skippyjon Jones is a Siamese kittenboy who, while having a time-out in his room, resorts to his imagination and takes on the superhero persona of the great Spanish sword fighter, Skippito.

***The Spider and the Fly* – Mary Howitt** "Will you walk into my parlor?" said the Spider to the Fly," 'Tis the prettiest little parlor that ever you did spy; the way into my parlor is up a winding stair, and I have many curious things to show you when you are there."

In addition – any and all **Dr. Seuss books!!**