

As you know, reading plays a crucial role in your child's success in school. To give your child a jumpstart on first grade, we ask that you expose your child to reading as much as possible this summer.

Fiction Assignment

Please choose at least two fiction books to read with your child over the summer. The following are some suggestions of beginner books, although we ask that you choose books based on your child's reading ability. These are merely suggestions, as we are leaving the decision regarding fiction choices to each family.

Hello Reader Book Series by Scholastic Levels 1 or 2
I Can Read Books Series by Harper Trophy
Step Into Reading Series by Random House Step 1
Bob Books Scholastic Reader Level 1 by Maslen Kertell
Biscuit: I Can Read! Level 1 by Alyssa Capucilli
Fancy Nancy: I Can Read! Level 1 Jane O'Connor
Eric Carle: Ready To Read by Eric Carle
Splat The Cat: I Can Read Level 1 by Rob Scotten
About Pets (We Both Read Level 1) by Sindy McKay

Nonfiction Assignment

The following list of books relate to our first grade Social Studies and Science themes of Families and Animals. Please choose at least two nonfiction books to read with your child, and then complete the following assignment for one of the nonfiction books. The nonfiction reading choice must selected from the following lists.

Families- Nonfiction

Me and My Family Tree by Joan Sweeney
We All Have Different Families by Melissa Higgins
You and Me Together: Moms, Dads, and Kids Around the World by Barbara Kerley
My Family Tree and Me by Dusan Petricic
My Family, Your Family by Lisa Bullard

Animals- Nonfiction

A Bed For Winter (DK Reader) by Karen Wallace
A Trip to the Zoo (DK Reader) by Karen Wallace
Animal Disguises (Developing Reader Level 2) by Emma Ryan
Farm Animals (Scholastic Reader Level 2) by Wade Cooper
Nighttime Animals (DK Reader) by Dorling-Kinserly

**Your child should draw a picture of his/her favorite part of the story and write a simple sentence to tell about it. Your child should also write one fact he/she learned from a nonfiction book read this summer and illustrate it. These will be shared in class during the first week of school.*

SIGHT WORDS

Please also help your child to practice the following list of beginning sight words:

is	here	this
she	look	little
go	like	we
do	has	are
where	have	was
for	the	see
can	said	he
play	with	you
my	this	me
and	to	