



“It is not enough just to wish well;
we must also do well.”

~ *St. Ambrose*

Summer 2022

Dear Families,

Welcome to summertime! I hope you and your children will enjoy the hot days and many cool treats that are sure to come. As you start to develop your summer routines, please make sure to pencil in a few minutes each day for students to be able to maintain the skills they have gained over the last school year. Here at St. Ambrose, our summer work packets are designed to aid in retention and give students the opportunity to practice lessons from the previous year. Having both math and reading assignments help prepare students for next year, as well as provide a bit of structure while they are away from school.

For reading, all students will be asked to read three assigned books and complete a one-page worksheet for each. Students will also need to choose two other books from the suggested reading and complete the reading log. Though it isn't a part of the summer reading assignments, please continue to read other books with your child as they will continue to gain fluency and expression skills from your example. Take a moment to stop and ask questions (have your child retell what is happening in his/her own words and make predictions about what might happen next) to help students develop important comprehension skills.

Please encourage your students to work on these assignments throughout the summer. A little time spent each weekday can keep the information fresh in a student's mind and reduce pressure. Please be aware that both the math and reading summer assignments are due to be turned-in the first day of school and will be graded.

Hoping you have a safe and enjoyable summer!

Warm regards,

Jenny Gould
Second Grade

Rising 2nd Grade Summer Reading

All students should read at least five books this summer. Three of the books will be assigned, and the other two are the student's choice.

Important Notes:

- For each required book, the student must complete a book report (see below for "Summer Reading Road Trip"). Students should write neatly and in complete sentences.
- Students should log all reading on the "My Reading Log." All students must read at least five books. However, students who read and log seven books will receive a surprise!
- **The three book reports and the reading log are due the first day of school and will be graded.**

Required Reading:

1. Frog and Toad Together by Arnold Lobel
2. Harold and the Purple Crayon by Crockett Johnson
3. Miss Nelson is Missing by Harry Allard

Rising Second Grade: Suggested Summer Reading List

Predictable Books:

I Know and Old Lady Who Swallowed a Fly-- Rounds, Glen
Once: A Lullaby --Nichol, B. P.
Have You Seen My Duckling?-- Tafuri, Nancy
We're Going on a Bear Hunt --Rosen, Michael
Ask Mr. Bear --Flack, Marjorie
Chicka Chicka Boom Boom --Martin, Bill
If You Give a Mouse a Cookie, or
If You Give a Moose a Muffin, or
If You Give a Pig a Pancake --Numeroff, Laura
Chicken Soup With Rice-- Sendak, Maurice
That's Good, That's Bad-- Cuyler, Margery
The Very Hungry Caterpillar-- Carle, Eric
Don't Forget the Bacon-- Hutchins, Pat
Who's A Pest? Bonsall --Crosby Newell
The New Kid on the Block-- Prelutsky, Jack
Poems of A. Nonny Mouse-- Prelutsky, Jack
And the Green Grass All Around-- Schwartz, Alvin
You Read to Me, I'll Read to You-- Ciardi, John
Beast Feast-- Florian, Douglas
Honey, I Love-- Greenfield, Eloise
The Dragons are Singing Tonight-- Prelutsky, Jack

The Random House Easy-to-Read Stories
Step-Into-Reading books

Favorite Authors of this Age Group:

Barrett, Judith
Berenstain, Jan & Stan
Birdseye, Tom
Brett, Jan
Cohen, Barbara
Cummings, Pat
dePaola, Tommie
Freeman, Don
Gibbons, Gail
Kellogg, Steven
Kraus, Ruth
Lionni, Leo
McKissack, Patricia
Polacco, Patricia
Rylant, Cynthia
Sendak, Maurice
Seuss, Dr.
Viorst, Judith
Williams, Vera
Zolotow, Charlotte

Books in Series: These authors have written more than one book about the same character.

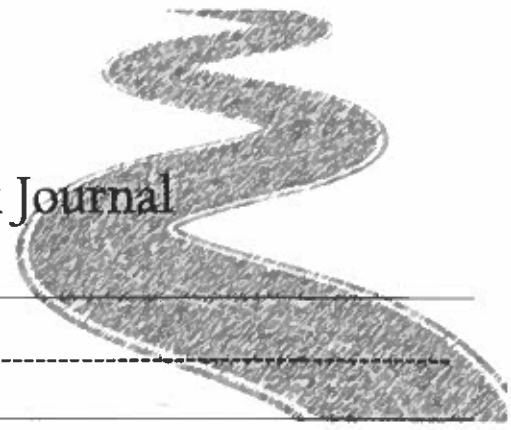
Alexander—Viorst, Judith
Amelia Bedelia—Parish, Peggy
Corduroy—Freeman, Dan
Madeline—Bemelmans, Ludwig
Sheep in a Shop --Shaw, Nancy
Frog and Toad --Lobel, Arnold
The Cut-ups --Marshall, James
Good Night Little Bear-- Minarik, Else H.
George and Martha-- Marshall, James
Arthur-- Brown, Marc
Harry in Trouble-- Porte, Barbara
Harry the Dirty Dog-- Zion, Gene
Max's Dragon Shirt --Wells, Rosemary
Tom and Pippo Make a Friend-- Oxenbury, Helen
A Bear Called Paddington-- Bond, Michael
Nate the Great—Weiman Sharmat, Majorie
Additional popular books
Caps for Sale—Slobodkina, Esphyr

A Chair for My Mother—Williams, Vera
Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs—Barrett, Judi
The Giving Tree—Silverstein, Shel
Stone Soup—Brown, Marcia
Strega Nona—dePaola, Tommie
Tacky the Penguin—Lester, Helen
Familiar Tales, Folktales, Fairy Tales, and Poetry

Name: _____

Summer Reading Road Trip: Book Journal

Title of book: _____



Author: _____



Fiction or Nonfiction
(circle one)



Main Character(s): _____

The most exciting part of the story was when...

Stop! *Slow!* Go!

Book Review

Color the red light in for "Not Great"

Color the yellow light in for "Okay"

Color the green light in for "Great!"

