# Suggested Summer Reading List for Students Entering Grades 1 & 2



**Note:** The following books are only suggestions. Please feel free to add any books that are appropriate for your child. The staff in the children's section of the local library will also have many wonderful suggestions for you.

Research has shown that the single greatest factor in predicting reading success is time spent reading. Here are some titles to get you and your child started! Please note that the reading level of the books suggested varies. If your child just completed Kindergarten, these books may be too difficult for your child to read independently. However, the book would still be a great book to read aloud to your child. If your child just completed 1st grade, have him or her read a page of the book aloud to you to see if it is a good fit. If they struggle with more than a few words on the page, it is probably too difficult, but the book would be an excellent book for you and your child to read together.

#### **Books About Me**

- I Like Me! By Nancy L. Carson
- Leo the Late Bloomer by Robert Kraus
- *My Five Senses* by Aliki

# **Books About Family**

- Are You My Mother? By P. D. Eastman
- Guess How Much I Love You? By Sam McBratney
- *Just Me Books* by Mercer Mayer

#### **Predictable Books**

- *Curious George* by H. A. Rey
- Goodnight Moon by Margaret Wise Brown
- Each Peach Pear Plum by Janet and Allan Ahlberg

## **Math in Picture Books**

- *Inch by Inch* by Leo Lionni
- Ten Bears in My Bed: A Goodnight

#### **Books Kids Love**

- *And I Mean It, Stanley* by Crosby Bonsall
- Clifford series by Norman Bridwell
- The Eye Book by Theo Leseig
- Froggy series by Jonathan London
- *Green Eggs and Ham* by Dr. Seuss
- Hi! Fly Guy by Tedd Arnold
- Little Critter series by Mercer Mayer
- *Morris the Moose* by Bernard Wiseman
- The Secret Life of Squirrels by Nancy Rose
- *The Very Busy Spider* by Eric Carle

## Fairy Tales, Folktales and Fables

- The Three Bears by Paul Galdone
- *Henny Penny* by H. Werner Zimmerman
- *The Three Billy Goats Gruff* by Peter Christen Asbjornsen
- *Hattie and the Fox* by Mem Fox

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