



Riverside Presbyterian Day School

Summer Reading and Activities

Dear Rising First Grader:

We are thrilled that you will be joining us this fall for an exciting year filled with many great adventures, including traveling around the world!

We know you will participate in the library summer reading program, "Wild about Reading", with Mrs. Cox. She has suggested many great books that you can read with a grownup, by yourself, or to a friend.

In addition to reading, reading, reading, please practice the following sight words:

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

Making flashcards with your parents may be helpful. Another idea that is fun to do is to shape each word from play dough. You can also write the words on the sidewalk with chalk! This will help you to have a great start to first grade reading!

We also hope you will practice adding and subtracting. You can do this using some of your favorite things like stuffed animals, trucks, cars, or other toys. Ask you mom or dad for pennies, nickels, dimes, and quarters and use a magnifying glass to look at all of their details. Don't forget their value! Finally, on a rainy day turn on the computer and check these cool websites we have listed in this packet for extra school practice.

Enjoy your summer. We will see you soon!

Mrs. Cranford, Mrs. Kelly, Mrs. Milne, Mrs. Simmons



First Grade Summer Reading

Rules to Follow:

1. All books should be recorded on the reading list provided. For those children who are already reading chapter books, every 15 pages will equal one book.
2. Additional titles may be listed on a separate sheet of paper.
3. Students should choose summer reading which is appropriate in length and reading level for their grade.
4. Students who participate will receive an achievement certificate.
5. Students who read 20 or more books will receive a safari gift bag.
6. Students who read 50 or more books will receive a safari gift bag and be invited to a special cartoon and popcorn party in Kissling Hall. This will be a reward for those students whose participation in this program has been outstanding.
7. Parents should sign the reading lists.
8. Students should be sure that their first and last names are clearly written on their reading list.
9. Students should turn in reading lists to your teacher **ONLY** during the first week of school (not to the Media Center, Office, or Extended Day, please).
10. Parents may read these books to their children or the child may read by themselves.



First Grade Summer Reading List

Beginning Reading

Biscuit (series)	Capucilli
Minnie and Moo Series	Cazet
Angelina Ballerina	Holabird
Froggy (series)	London
Henry and Mudge (series)	Rylant
Houndsley and Catina and the Birthday Surprise	Howe
Cork & Fuzz Good Sports	Chaconas
Good Night, Good Knight	Thomas
Amanda Pig, First Grader	Van Leeuwen

Chapter Books

Ramona the Pest	Cleary
Boo's Dinosaur	Byars
Mrs. Piggle Wiggle	MacDonald
Junie B., First Grader: Aloha-ha-ha!	Park
Little's	Peterson
Boxcar Children	Warner

Poetry

You read to Me, I'll read to You	Ciardi
Omnibeast	Florian
Read-aloud Rhymes for the Very Young	Prelusky
Chicken Soup with Rice	Sendak
There's a Zoo in Room 22	Sierra
Casey at the Bat	Thayer



First Grade Summer Reading List

Picture Story Books

Terrific	Agee
Move Over, Rover	Beaumont
Five Little Monkeys	Christelow
Miss Rumphius	Cooney
Leaf Man	Ehlert
Traction Man is Here!	Grey
Goose and Duck	George
Little Kitten's First Full Moon	Henkes
Pictures from Our Vacation	Perkins
Hurray for Wodney Wat	Lester
How I Became a Pirate	Long
Captain Raptor and the Space Pirates	O'Malley
Puppies, Puppies, Puppies	Meyers
The Great Fuzz Frenzy	Stevens
Timothy and the Strong Pajamas	Schwarz
Three Little Wolves & the Big Bad Pig	Trivizas
Ira Sleeps Over	Waber
Flotsam (2007 Caldecott Winner)	Wiesner
Leonardo the Terrible Monster	Willems
Miss Smith Reads Again	Garland
How Do Dinosaurs Eat Their Food?	Yolen
Owl Moon	Yolen



Wild about Websites!

First Grade Summer Websites

Websites

- www.abcya.com
- www.starfall.com
- www.funbrain.com
- www.aplusmath.com
- www.hwtears.com/parents/parentextras (Handwriting Without Tears website)
- www.mathcafe.com, www.touchmath.com (math ideas)
- www.discovery.com (science ideas)
- www.pinkydinkydoo.com
- www.theschoolbell.com
- www.kidzone.ws/
- www.drjean.org (for a variety of creative, educational ideas)