

Dear Parents,

Summer vacation is time of rest, renewal, and good fun! You'll want to make sure, however that your child continues to grow academically during the time he or she is away from the classroom. Summer away from school can be used productively to reinforce reading skills your child worked so hard to learn during the school year. First grade is an important year in your child's education. Daily reading is critical to your child's continued success.

In this packet you will find a list of book titles of many favorites, some that parents read with their children and others that early readers will be able do on their own. We have also included some follow up activities to support your child's reading. Your involvement as a partner in your child's education is something to be proud of. So, enjoy the summer and better yet, enjoy spending this treasured time helping your child learn.

Have a wonderful summer!

Sincerely,  
First Grade Teachers



## Book Lists

- \* "A" My Name is Alice by Jane Beyer
- \* Biscuit by Alyssa Satin Capucilli
- \* Brown Bear Brown Bear by Bill Martin Jr.
- \* Chicka Chicka Boom Boom by Bill Martin Jr.
- \* Clifford, the Big Red Dog by Norman Bridwell
- \* If you Give a Mouse a Cookie by Laura Numeroff
- \* Janberry by Bruce Degg
- \* The Napping House by Audrey Wood
- \* Read Aloud Rhymes for the Very Young by Jack Prelutsky
- \* Where the Wild Things Are by Maurice Sendak
- \* Books by Jan Brett, Marc Brown, Eric Carle, Gail Gibbons, and Dr. Seuss

## Book-Related Activities

- \* List five interesting facts you learned from a non-fiction book.
- \* Tell about your favorites characters in a book and say why you like them.
- \* Create a book jacket that you think would sell the book.
- \* Illustrated a scene from your favorite part of a book.
- \* Fill out a book log.
- \* Visit your library. Check out the summer reading programs!

