



June

Dear Incoming Second Grade Students (and Parents),

Summer is a great time to read! We believe that reading over the summer months is an important way to practice and maintain skills taught during the school year and is an essential element in promoting reading as a lifelong endeavor.

This year, students entering 2<sup>nd</sup> grade will be given a summer assignment, which they will be required to complete by the first day back in September. This project will give you a chance to read during the months and share all you read on the first day back next year.

In the Summer Reading List, there are a lot of just right books and picture books for you to read over the summer. Just right books are books that you can read alone without too many words that are tricky or that you don't understand. When you choose books for reading you can look through this list or go to your local library to find interesting books to read.

### **Your assignment**

- a) Choose at least three books from this list that are just right and read them either alone or with a parent.
- b) Keep track of the books that you read. There is a reading log sheet for you to record the books you have read and the activities that you completed. Your parents should sign the sheet.
- c) For one of these books create a bookmark or full-page poster with information about the text (see the directions below).
- d) Bring the reading log along with your completed bookmark on your first day of second grade.

Have a great time completing this project. We hope you have a great summer and look forward to seeing you on the first day of school.

Sincerely,

*Second Grade Teachers*

### **Bookmark project: Please write and draw neatly.**

Include the following information on your bookmark/page. You may use both sides of the bookmark/page. You may use whatever materials you would like.

- The title of the book.
- The author of the book.
- The illustrator of the book (if the book has one).
- For a fiction book: Write the names the main characters.
- For a non-fiction book: Write the main topics covered in your book.
- Write a sentence or two telling what you like best about the book.
- Draw a picture on the bookmark that relates to the book.

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

### Reading Log

Books I Read	How you read the book. (with someone, alone, was read to.)	Parent Signature
1.		
2.		
3.		