# KINDERGARTEN SUMMER READING LIST



## ENGLEWOOD ON THE PALISADES CHARTER SCHOOL

Dear Parents and Students,

The summer is a great time to enjoy reading! We have put together a suggested reading list for you to choose from to complete your summer reading assignment. Please choose 10 books to read and fill out your reading log as you finish each book. We have attached three book report forms for you to complete. Please pick three books of your choice for these reports. Also, we have attached the rubric that we will be using to grade the book reports.

Please have your child do as much of the writing as possible. We look forward to hearing about the books you read over the summer. We will collect your reading log and book reports when we meet in person!

Have a safe and happy summer!

Sincerely,

The Kindergarten Teachers

The following is the rubric that will be used by the Kindergarten teachers to grade the summer reading book reports.

## Kindergarten Reading Rubric

4	All parts of the book report forms are complete. Book reports were turned in on time. Illustration of favorite part of book is neat and colored in. Writing completed by student.
3	Book report forms are complete. Book reports were turned in one day late. Illustration is recognizable and some color is added. Writing completed mostly by student.
2	Book report forms were missing information. Book reports were turned in a couple of days late. Illustration is drawn with very little detail and not colored in. Words written by parent.
1	Book reports were not complete. Book reports were several days late/not handed in. There is no illustration for the favorite part of book. Very little/no information is given in writing.

### Encouraging Summer Reading

Literacy is the single most important skill that your child needs to be successful in school. The following list includes ideas of ways that you can help your child discover the great adventures of reading!

- Establish a time for reading each day. Ask your child about what he or she is reading. Try to relate the material to an event that is happening this summer or to another book or story.
- Let your child see you reading for enjoyment. Talk about the great things that you discover when you read.
- Create a summer reading list. Choose books from the reading list or head to the library and explore the shelves. A general rule for selecting books at the appropriate reading level is to choose a page and ask your child to read it aloud. If he or she does not know more than five words on the page, the book may be too difficult.
- Read newspaper and magazine articles, recipes, menus, maps, and street signs on a daily basis to show your child the importance of reading.
- Find books that relate to your child's experiences. For example, if you are going camping, find a book about camping. This will help your child develop new interests.
- Make up stories. This is especially fun to do in the car, on camping trips, or hanging out at home. Encourage your child to tell a story with a beginning, middle, and an end. Or, have your child start a story and let other family members build on it.

## Kindergarten Suggested Summer Reading List

The following books are only suggestions. Please feel free to add any books that are appropriate for your reader. Research has shown that the single greatest factor in predicting reading success is whether a child is read to when young. Here are some titles to get you started.

#### **Books About Me**

- I Like Me! by Nancy L. Carlson
- I Like to be Little by Charlotte Zolotow
- The Mixed Up Chameleon by Eric Carle
- My Five Senses by Aliki
- When I Get Bigger by Mercer Mayer

#### **Family Stories**

- Just Me Books by Mercer Mayer
- Mama Do You Love Me? by Barbara M. Joosse

#### Color and Counting Books

- Each Orange Had Eight Slices: A Counting Book by Paul Giganti Jr.
- Fish Eyes: A Book You Can Count On by Lois Ehlert
- Frog Counts to Ten by John Liebler
- Inch by Inch by Leo Lionni
- Is it Red? Is it Yellow? Is it Blue? By Tana Hoban
- Planting a Rainbow by Lois Ehlert
- Ten Little Fish by Audrey Wood
- 26 Letters and 99 Cents by Tana Hoban

#### Caldecott Winners and Honor Books

- Color Zoo by Lois Ehlert
- Madeline by Ludwig Bemelmans

- More, More, More Said the Baby by Vera B. Williams
- Swimmy by Leo Lionni
- Tops and Bottoms by Janet Stevens

#### Mother Goose and Nursery Rhymes

- James Marshall's Mother Goose by James Marshall
- My Very First Mother Goose by Iona Opie and Rosemary Wells
- Tomie dePaola's Mother Goose by Tomie dePaola

#### Folktales and Fairy Tales

- Cinderella by Marcia Brown
- The Hare and the Tortoise by Brian Wildsmith
- Henny Penny by H. Werner Zimmerman
- The Little Red Hen by Margot Zemach
- The Three Bears by Paul Galdone
- The Three Billy Goats Gruff by Peter Christen Asbjornsen
- The Three Little Pigs by Rodney Peppe
- The Ugly Duckling by Hans Christian Andersen

#### Stories in Rhymes

- All the Colors of the Earth by Sheila Hamanaka
- Bringing the Rain to Kapiti Plain by Verna Aardema
- Miss Spider's Tea Party by David Kirk

#### Fabulous Science Books

- Cars and How They Go by Joanna Cole
- Eyewitness Juniors Amazing Frogs and Toads by Barry Clarke
- Magic School Bus on the Ocean Floor by Joanna Cole
- Water by Penelope Arlon
- Plants by Joel Beller

#### Informational Text

- All the Water in the World by George Ella Lyon
- Animals to Count by Brian Wildsmith
- Big Rigs on the Move by Candice Ransome
- City Signs by Zoran Milich
- Clouds by Marion Dane Bauer

#### **Biographies**

- Only Passing Through: The Story of Sojourner Truth by Anne Rockwell
- Rosa by Nikki Giovanni and Bryan Collier
- Abe's Honest Words: The Life of Abraham Lincoln by Doreen Rappaport and Kadir Nelson
- Marvelous Mattie: How Margaret E. Knight Became an Inventor by Emily Arnold McCully



's Summer Reading Log



Fill in the reading log as you complete your summer reading requirement.

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Parent Signature

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