Summer Reading Second Grade

Below you will find the summer reading book list for 2015-2016 incoming second grade students. Parents, although your child is now reading independently, it is important that you still play a role in supporting their summer reading adventures. It is recommended that you set aside reading time and discuss the book your child is reading. It is fun to read the same story as your child and engage in a book discussion on who*, what, when, where,* and *why.* Have your child recount the story and explain the central message or lesson. In discussing the book ensure that your child can support their comments with evidence from the text. You could even have your child complete a project based on the story you are reading.

Summer Reading List:

- *Danny and the Dinosaur* (Series), by Syd Hoff
- *Henry and Mudge* (Series), by Cynthia Rylant
- *Junie B. Jones* (Series), by Barbara Park
- *Magic Tree House* (Series), by Mary Pope
- *Bink and Gollie,* by Kate DiCamillo
- *The Boxcar Children,* by Gertrude Chandler Warner
- *The Giving Tree,* by Shel Silverstein
- *Amelia Bedelia*, by Peggy Parish
- *Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs*, by Judi Barrett
- *Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day*, by Judith Viorst
- *Alvin Ho: Allergic to Girls, School, and Other Scary Things*,by Lenore Look
- *All for Me and None for All,* by Helen Lester
- *A Sick Day for Amos McGee*, by Philip Stead
- *Miss Lady Bird's Wildflowers,* by Lady Bird Johnson
- *Life in a Coral Reef,* by Steve Jenkins
- *Weird –But-True Facts About Weather,* by Lauren Coss
- *Mr. Putter and Tabby* (Series), by Cynthia Rylant

Ideas for a book based project:

- Diorama: Pick an important scene from the book and represent it in a shoe box. Write a paragraph consisting of five to seven sentences describing the scene and why you think the scene is important.
- Interview a Character: Compose 5 questions to ask the main character of your book. Write the character's response to each question based on evidence from the text.
- Cereal Box: Create a cereal box based on your book. Name and decorate the cereal box to represent the book you have read. Include things that are really on a cereal box. Remember to include the title, summary, characters, and author in your cereal box design.
- Book Ad: Design a poster with at least five to seven sentences that advertises your book and why people should read the book.

