



Dear Parents of Rising Second Graders,

Happy Summer! Congratulations on your child's successful completion of first grade. We hope your family enjoys a restful and fun-filled break. While summer is a time for play, exploration, and making memories, it's also important to keep young minds active and engaged. To support your child's continued learning, we're offering a few suggestions for reading and math enrichment.

Reading:

We encourage daily reading or listening to stories. Please see the attached list of recommended titles. Of course, your child is welcome to explore any books that spark interest. Two BINGO boards are included to check off as your child reads this summer. The goal is to fill in at least three rows per board. Any completed BINGO boards should be returned to their new second-grade teachers on the first day of school.

Math:

To reinforce first-grade skills and prepare for second grade, your child may practice...

- addition and subtraction facts within 20
- identifying and counting coins and dollar bills
- telling time/clock practice

Some engaging apps that provide excellent practice include the following:

- **Moose Math, SplashLearn, ZapZap Math, Peter Pig's Money Counter, Math Doodles**

Optional Resource:

For families interested in a more structured review, the **Summer Book Company** offers a comprehensive workbook that covers first-grade-level math, language arts, science, and social studies. You can find more information and order Summer Book 1 at www.summerbookcompany.com for \$15.

We look forward to welcoming your child to second grade and hearing all about their summer learning adventures. Thank you for your continued support in building a strong foundation for success.

At LCCDS, we learn Spanish through stories, music, and games throughout the year. I hope we can continue the fun over the summer so we don't forget all we have learned. A few of my favorite ways to practice my Spanish at home are listed below.

- **Play Games** - There are many gaming sites available, but my favorite is Duolingo. Duolingo is a free app that allows users to practice new language skills in a fun, effective, and highly customized manner. Students complete mini-lessons, answer questions, translate, and more. The program assesses your language ability, and the lessons change to match it. Fabulinea has a free trial and is a story-based learning game. The Canticos app is also a free app that is great for younger learners that is bilingual with music, stories, and games.
- **Listen** - Podcasts are a great way to have students hear the language. A great one for beginners is "¡Cuéntame! Learn Spanish with Comprehensible Input" by Marta Ruiz Yedinak, which is the closest to how LCCDS teaches, using acquisition-driven learning. Another great option is the "Garbanzo Spanish podcast"; others include "Eat Your Spanish: A Spanish Learning Podcast for Kids and Families!" by Evan Blum. For our intermediate Spanish speakers, there is "Spanish Stories for Kids." Both of these podcasts are available anywhere you get your podcasts on Apple or Android.
- **Watch TV**- No, I am not joking! We learn Spanish by acquiring it the same way we acquired our first language. TV shows that interest students are a great way to hear the language and see it in context. There are many stories and cartoons on streaming sites in Spanish to discover. My favorite way to watch Spanish shows is to find something I already enjoy and set the subtitles and audio to Spanish. Many streaming services also have a feature to slow down the audio so that it can be slower and easier to understand.
- **Additional Resources**- spanishplayground.net has a plethora of comprehensible videos on their website. Rockalingua has a few free music, stories, and games, but it is a paid service.

¡Feliz Verano! ¡Hasta agosto!

Happy Summer! See you in August!

Señora Bringas





Summer Reading BINGO

READ OUTSIDE	READ TO A STUFFED ANIMAL	READ TO SOMEONE ELSE	READ WHILE WEARING A HAT	UNDER THE COVERS
READ ON A BEACH TOWEL	READ ON A FRIDAY	READ IN A CAR	READ A NON-FICTION BOOK	WHILE EATING BREAKFAST
READ AFTER DINNER	READ UNDER A TREE	FREE SPACE	READ ON THE COUCH	READ SITTING ON THE FLOOR
READ IN A SWIMSUIT	READ WITH A FLASHLIGHT	READ IN A FORT	READ POETRY	READ TO SOMEONE ON THE PHONE
READ SOMETHING THAT CAME IN THE MAIL	READ TO YOUR PET	READ IN SOMEONE ELSE'S BED	READ IN YOUR PAJAMAS	READ A BOOK ABOUT ANIMALS

THE CHIRPING MOM





Summer Reading BINGO

READ A LIBRARY BOOK	READ ON A RAINY DAY	READ IN A SWIMSUIT	READ TO MOM AND DAD	READ UNDER THE TABLE
READ ON A WEDNESDAY	READ AT THE PARK	READ IN THE SUNSHINE	READ BEFORE DINNER	READ A SILLY BOOK
READ IN A BLANKET FORT	READ IN A SILLY VOICE.	FREE SPACE	READ A BOOK TO MOM OR DAD	READ WHILE LYING DOWN
READ IN YOUR CLOSET	READ WITH A FLASHLIGHT	READ IN A FORT	READ POETRY	READ YOUR FAVORITE BOOK
READ SOMETHING THAT CAME IN THE MAIL	READ TO A STUFFED ANIMAL	READ ON THE PORCH	READ WHEN YOU WAKE UP	READ ON YOUR PILLOW



2nd Grade SUMMER READING

GRAPHIC NOVELS

Monti and Leo A Mystery in Pocketville by Sylvie Kantorovitz
Bird and Squirrel on Ice by James Burks
Cat Ninja by Matthew Cody
King of the Birds by Elise Gravel
Bug Scouts Out in the Wild by Mike Lowery
Donut Feed the Squirrels by Mika Song
Mimi and the Cutie Catastrophe by Shauna J. Grant
Owly: The Way Home by Andy Runton
Sky & Ty Howdy, Partner! by Steve Breen

REALISTIC & FRIENDSHIP

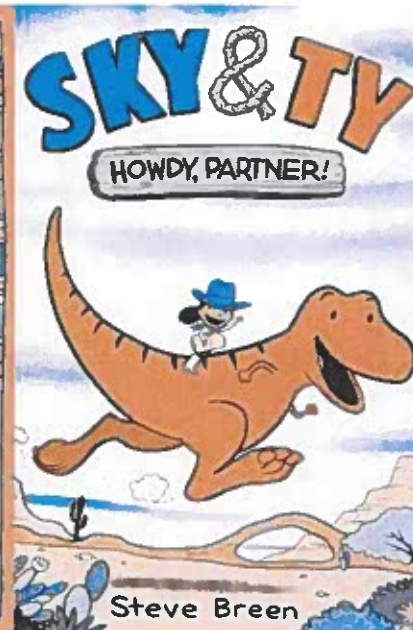
Orris and Timble The Beginning by Kate DiCamillo

Stella & Marigold by Annie Barrows
Good Dog by Cam Higgins
Too Small Tola by Atinuke
The Amazing Life of Azaleah Lane by Nikki Shannon Smith
Bear and Bird: The Picnic by Jarvis
Emmet and Jez Adventures in Fosterland by Hannah Shaw
Ava Lin Best Friend by Vicky Fang

FUNNY

The Dragonsitter by Josh Lacey
Stick Dog by Tom Watson
Scaredy Squirrel in a Nutshell by Melanie Watt
Real Pigeons Fight Crime by Ben Wood
Rabbit & Bear. Rabbit's Bad Habits by Julian Gough & Jim Field





MYSTERIES

Magic Tree House The Graphic Novel
Dinosaurs Before Dark by Mary Pope Osborne
The Whodunit Detective Agency by Martin Widmark
A to Z Mysteries by Ron Roy
The Big Bad Detective Agency by Bruce Hale
Mac Undercover by Mac Barnett
Crime Biters by Tommy Greenwald

ADVENTURE

Squirrelish: Shark in the Park by Ellen Potter
Mia Mayhem Is a Superhero! by Kara West
Magic Tree House by Mary Pope Osborne
Galaxy Zack by Ray O'Ryan
The Notebook of Doom by Troy Cummings
Ricky Ricotta's Mighty Robot by Dav Pilkey
Ivy Lost and Found by Cynthia Lord
Sky & Ty Howdy, Partner! by Steve Breen

MAGIC

Princess Minna The Unicorn Mix-Up by Kirsty Applebaum

Diary of an Ice Princess by Christina Soontornvat

Rise of the Earth Dragon by Tracey West

Love Puppies by JaNay Brown Wood

The Fabled Stables by Jonathan Auxier

Dragons of Ember City. Happy Spark Day by Shane Richardson and Sarah Marino

Kwame's Magic Quest by Bernard Mensah

NONFICTION

Go Wild! Sea Turtles by Jill Esbaum

Fox Explores the Night by Martin Jenkins

Blood! Not Just a Vampire Drink by Stacy McAnulty

What Do They Do With All That Poo? by Jane Kurtz

Plants Fight Back by Lisa J. Amstutz

The Rat by Elise Gravel

All About Plants: Ada Twist, Scientist The Why Files by Andrea Beaty & Dr. Theanne Griffith

Planets by Elizabeth Carney

Animals in Pants by Suzy Levinson

Matter by Lola M. Schaefer

