



INCOMING 2nd GRADERS

Steps to Successful Reading This Summer... The Appoquinimink Way

- 1) Read for, at least, one hour every week.
- 2) Record your reading on the Reading Log provided by the district.
- 3) Fill out the Story Map (located on the back of the reading log) for one book that you read.

The following are individual titles that Appoquinimink teachers suggest. In addition, we have provided you with a list of series and authors that are appropriate for your child's age group. Finally, you may also choose a book by any of the authors cited on the list. The main goal is for you and your child to have quality reading together. Enjoy.

POETRY

Beast Feast: Poems and Paintings, Florian*

Surprising and funny poems about animals.

Bing Bang Boing, Florian

Entertaining poems and hilarious drawings.

Dinosaur Dinner (with a Slice of Alligator Pie), Lee

Dennis Lee is the Canadian children's favorite funny poet.

PICTURE BOOKS

Amazing Grace, Mary Hoffman

Grace is black, but she's determined to be Peter Pan in the play

Miss Nelson Is Missing, Harry Allard

Miss Nelson leaves her naughty class with nasty Miss Swamp.

A Chair for My Mother, Vera Williams

Rosa, her Mother, and Grandmother are saving for a big purchase.

Swamp Angel, Anne Isaacs

Angelica, a giant, formed the Smoky Mountains when she wrestled a bear.

Millions to Measure. David Schwartz

Learn about measurement through colorful pictures and cartoon captions.

A Tree Is A Plant, Bulla/Schuett

Trees can live for a very long time, and they are alive all year long, even when they look dead in the winter...

Abiyoyo, Pete Seeger

Explore the Arctic tundra with a pack of dogs, or go sailboating into the middle of a wild storm! Includes 5 stories

When Sophie Gets Angry – Really, Really Angry , Molly Bang

When Sophie's sister takes away a toy that Sophie was playing with, Sophie gets angry.

What Are You So Grumpy About? , Tom Lichtenheld

This book offers a humorous look at what makes a child grumpy.

One Tiny Turtle, Nicola Davies

Follow the life cycle of a Loggerhead turtle.

Owl Moon , Jane Yolen

A young girl and her father go owling late one winter night. Ultimately, she experiences the beauty of the silence of the night.

Caps for Sale, Esphyr Slobodkina.

A peddler comes to town to sell his caps. Monkeys steal his caps and go up into the tree.

FOLKTALES

Jamie O'Rourke and the Big Potato, Tomie De Paola

Lazy Jamie captures a leprechaun who offers him potatoes, not gold.

Man Who Tricked a Ghost, Laurence Yep

Chinese tale about a man who plays tricks on a mean ghost.

A Story, A Story, Gail Haley

Anansi, the spider man, wins stories from the Sky God. African.

FICTION FOR BEGINNING READERS

Go Dog Go, PD Eastman

Dogs everywhere doing silly things. An all-time favorite.

Hello House, Linda Hayward

Brer Rabbit fools Brer Wolf who is hiding in the rabbits' house.

Hop on Pop, Seuss

Rhyming words depict funny situations.

Itchy Itchy Chicken Pox, Grace MacCarone

Catchy rhymes narrate a boy's bout with the pox.

Inspector Hopper, Doug Cushman

Inspector Hopper is a detective with a feel -- and feelers -- for mysteries. With the help of his partner, McBugg, this tiny supersleuth can crack any case!

The Terrible Thing That Happened At Our House, Blaine, Marge

A youngster relates the terrible problems that occurred after her mother went to work and how the family solved them.

SERIES BOOKS: We suggest any book in the following series.

Frog and Toad by Arnold Lobel

Weird School Series by Dan Gutman

Cam Jansen by David Adler

Junie B. Jones by Barbara Park

Henry and Mudge by Cynthia Rylant

Amelia Bedelia by Peggy Parish

Magic Tree House by Mary Pope Osborne

Gus and Grandpa Stories, Claudia Mills

AUTHORS TO CONSIDER: We suggest any book by one of the following authors.

Patricia Polacco

Patricia Reilly Giff

Cynthia Rylant

Gail Gibbons

Judith St. George/ David Small

Dr. Seuss

Child's Name: _____

Summer Reading Log for Children Entering 2nd Grade

Research states that during the summer, students may lose as much as six weeks of growth from the school year. Please help your child retain all the progress that he/she has made this school year by reading with him/her!

Weeks of the Summer	Amount of Time Read	Parent Signature
Week 1 6/15/09		
Week 2 6/22/09		
Week 3 6/29/09		
Week 4 7/6/09		
Week 5 7/13/09		
Week 6 7/20/09		
Week 7 7/27/09		
Week 8 8/3/09		
Week 9 8/10/09		
Week 10 8/17/09		

Directions:

- **Students are to read or be read to for at least one hour each week.**
- Books may be chosen from the attached list, or you may choose your own.
- Parent records the time spent reading each week and signs each box.
- **Students need to read 9 out of the 10 weeks.** Mark an X in the box for the week you do not read.
- Help your child complete the attached Book Response for **ONE** book you read this summer.
- **Completed log and book response is due FIRST DAY OF SECOND GRADE.**
- Students who complete the summer reading log and book response will be recognized and rewarded during the month of September.



A STORY MAP

Title	Author	
Setting	Characters	
Beginning	Middle	End