

Dear Soon-To-Be-Second Graders,

CONGRATULATIONS! You have finished Grade 1, and in September you will be in Grade 2! We hope you are looking forward to a summer of fun. We also hope you will continue reading!

**Here are some book suggestions that Second Graders usually enjoy. You can read these or any other books you enjoy. Check out an expanded list at the end of this letter:**

- Any of the Nate the Great books by Marjorie Weinman Sharmat
- A Girl Named Helen Keller by Margo Landell
- The Keena Ford books by Melissa Thompson
- The Princess in Black series by Shannon Hale
- Any of the Cam Jansen books by David A. Adler
- The Magic Treehouse series by Mary Pope Osborne
- All Aboard Science Reader books published by Penguin Young Reader (Level 3)
- Mercy Watson book by Kate DiCamillo

Each time you complete a book, we would like you to write it down on your Summer Reading Log. Whenever you finish a book, write down the date, the title of the book, the author, and a star rating to tell us what you thought of the book. One star means you didn't like it very much and 5 stars means you loved it!

For **two** of the books you read (one **fiction** and one **nonfiction**), we would like you to fill out a book report sheet included in this packet. The sheets ask for the following information:

- 1) The title of the book**
- 2) The author of the book**
- 3) Describe what happens in the beginning, middle, and end of the book/ describe two facts you learned.**
- 4) A picture of your favorite part**

We know how good you are at math, but we also know that if you don't practice math it's easy to forget things. That's why Ms. Martin and Ms. Park are assigning you a math packet to practice your skills over the summer. Make sure to work on **no more than 2 pages a week**, all summer long. (\*Please don't try to finish them all at the beginning of the summer, or leave them all until the end !).

Have a super summer! We look forward to seeing you in September.

Sincerely,

Mr. Recht & Ms. Lobban-Bean

# Fiction

1. Title of book \_\_\_\_\_

2. Author \_\_\_\_\_

3. What happens in the **beginning** of the story?

4. What happens in the **middle** of the story?

5. What happens at the **end** of the story?

6) Draw a picture of your favorite part.

# Non-Fiction

1. Title of book \_\_\_\_\_

2. Author \_\_\_\_\_

3. What are two facts you learned?

4) Draw a picture of your favorite part.

## Reading Suggestions

### **Black Lives Matter Instructional Library Books for Kids**

Click on each book to hear a read-aloud. Use these books to continue conversations with your children about race and anti-racism, activism and advocacy, self-love and empowerment, and Black history.

[https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/18pOK3roiwPQ9WF7D2wA0o7Ktr8KwAJeZfn-o6O8T\\_\\_Y/preview?pru=AAABcrgwDJ4\\*LCnP5W-UFrfzBYfVBzspOQ&slide=id.p](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/18pOK3roiwPQ9WF7D2wA0o7Ktr8KwAJeZfn-o6O8T__Y/preview?pru=AAABcrgwDJ4*LCnP5W-UFrfzBYfVBzspOQ&slide=id.p)

### **List of 50 of the Best Books for Second Grade**

<https://www.weareteachers.com/second-grade-books/>

### **List of books that are new this year:**

<https://libguides.bankstreet.edu/summer2020>

