



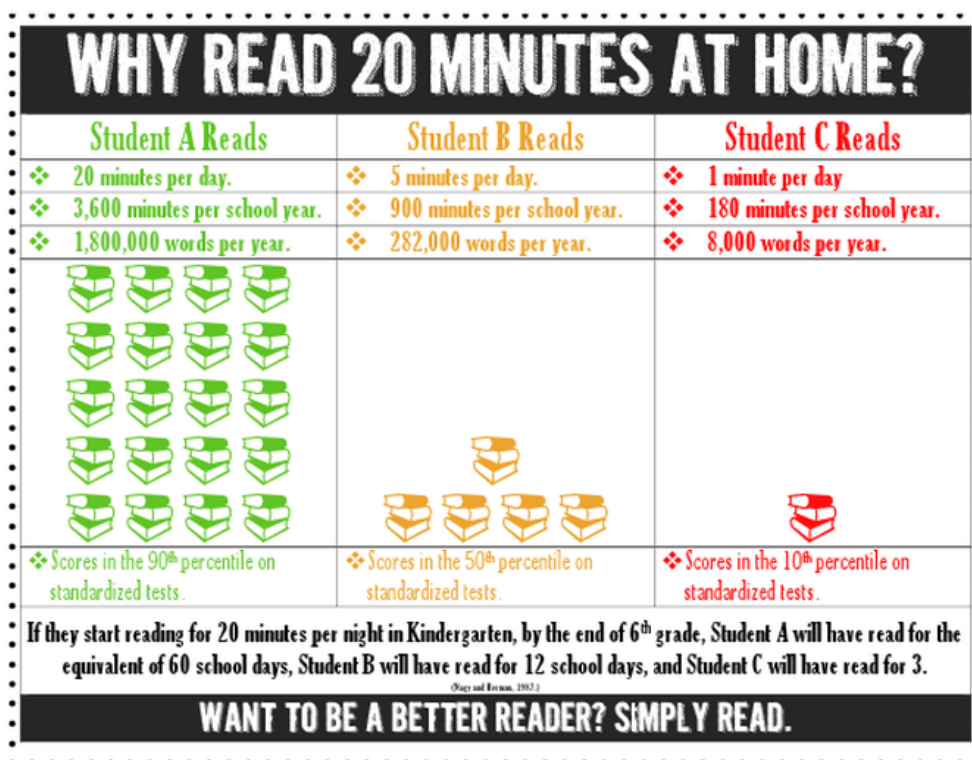
Plant the Seed Today

Incoming 2nd Graders

To best support student learning, and to ensure their brains stay sharp over the summer, students are being assigned summer reading. Your involvement as a parent is critical to the success of the Saint Hilary Summer Learning Program:

- Increased parent involvement leads to improved student achievement. (Fan & Chen, 2001 and jeynes, 2003)
- Parent involvement is the most consistent predictor of student success in school. (Bollen & Moles, 1994 and Warner, 1997)
- Children who perceive their parents as supporting academics in school perform better. (Epstein, 2001)

"... the amount and quality of student's access to materials is substantively related to the amount of reading they engage in, which in turn is the most important determinant of reading achievement." Studies show that students' who read more often, read better; they are also better writers, spell better, have larger vocabularies, and have better control of complex grammatical constructions (Krashen 2009)



Summer Prayers, Reading, Math Assignment

It is very important that all Saint Hilary students continue to practice math and improve their skills. For that reason, we are STRONGLY RECOMMENDING students spend an average of 15-20 minutes practicing their math skills, and 15-20 minutes of daily reading.

Skills for Incoming 2nd Graders:

Math:

1. Add/Subtract within 100 fluently
2. Single digit sums and differences (sums by memory by end of grade)
3. Recognize place value up to 100
4. Tell time to half hour
5. Identify two and three-dimensional shapes
6. Identify even/odd numbers
7. Skip count to 100 by 2's, 5's 10's

Prayers:

1. Sign of the Cross
2. Our Father
3. Hail Mary
4. Grace Before Meals

Language Arts:

1. Read/write phonetic and high frequency words
2. Compose sentences correctly
3. Use correct punctuation, and grammar
4. Identify/Comprehend parts of a story
5. Identify nouns, predicates, adjectives
6. Read fluently

Personal Skills:

1. Work independently/follow routines
2. Follow 3 step directions (spoken/written)

Recommended Resources for Math Review:

- Mathletics- Go to www.mathletics.com and click the Sign In button. Enter the Username and Password you have been assigned. If you are a new or current student, and experience any trouble with the log-on information please email Ms. Turner (eturner@sainthilaryschool.org) for assistance
- summerskills.com (order workbook)
- Workbooks from Lakeshore Learning
- <http://nlvm.usu.edu/>
- Reflex Math Fact Fluency: a website that helps kids learn math facts by playing games. It teaches addition and subtraction for numbers 0-10 and multiplication and division for numbers 0-12. It's best for kids who already understand basic math operations and need practice to improve speed and accuracy.
- <https://www.common sense media.org/website-reviews/reflex-math-fact-fluency>
- <http://www.amazon.com/Turn-The-Human-Calculator-You/dp/0988408422>

2nd Grade Summer Reading Possibilities

Welcome Room Two Readers!! Let's get ready to read!! Here is how to pick your Summer Reading Books!!

- Check Your ZPD Level
- Pick **ANY FIVE BOOKS** from **Your AR Level** and read them!
- If You Want to Read a Book and You Can't Find it's AR level, use the "5- finger" rule of reading: more than five errors on one page of a book...choose a lower level book to read.
- Here We Gooooooooo!!!!

Below is a list of suggestions.

Beverly Cleary - any **ONE** in the Ramona series,
Henry Huggins or Mouse on a Motorcycle AR
4.1-5.1

Strega Nona - Tomie de Paola AR 3.9

My First Little House Books - Laura Ingalls
Wilder

Winter Days in the Big Woods - Laura Ingalls
Wilder AR 4.0

George and Martha - James Marshall AR 2.4

My Father's Dragon - Ruth Gannett (any ONE
book of the three book series) AR 5.6

The Secret Garden - Frances Hodgson
Burnett (This book can be read to/with children)
AR 6.3

Magic Tree House - Mary Pope Osborne (any
ONE book of the series) AR 2.6-4.0

Henry and Mudge - Cynthia Rylant (any ONE
book of the series) AR 2.0-3.0

FICTION: Fun Books

Milo's Hat Trick - John Agee (Hyperion, 2002)
AR 2.4

Giraffe's Can't Dance - Giles Andreae (Scholastic
2001) AR 3.8

Never Give a Fish an Umbrella - Mike Thaler
(Troll 1966)

Arthur Goes to Camp - Marc Tolon Brown
(Little, Brown, Co 1984) AR 2.9

Stage Fright on a Summer Night - Mary Pope
Osborne (Random House) AR 3.3

Stone Soup - Jon J. Muth, Scholastic, 2003 AR
3.6

Very Boring Alligator - Jean Gralle, Henry Holt,
2001 AR 1.6

Dear Mrs. LaRue - Mark Teague, Scholastic,
2002 AR 3.6

I Stink! - Kate and Jim McMullan, Harper
Collins/Cotler, 2002 AR 1.6

Beware of the Storybook Wolves - Lauren
Childs, Arthur Levine, 2002 AR 4.5

Players in Pigtails - Shana Corey Scholastic, 2003
AR 3.4

Henrietta and the Golden Eggs - Hanna
Johansen, David R. Godine, 2002 AR 4.4

Ice Cream Cones for Sale! - Elaine Greenstein,
Arthur A. Levine, 2003 AR 3.8

Franny B. Kranny, There's a Bird in Your Hair! -
Harriet Lerner, Susan Goldhor, Harper
Collins, 2001 AR 3.5

AWESOME INDEPENDENT READERS:

Henry and Mudge in the Green Time - Cynthia
Rylant, Aladdin, 1992 AR 2.4

Fluffy Grows a Garden - Kate McMullan,
Cartwheel, 2002 AR 2.2

Ricky Ricotta's Mighty Robot - Dav Pilkey, ARue
Sky, 2002 AR 2.9-4.1

Itching and Twitching: A Nigerian Folktale -
Patricia C. & Robert McKissack

Iris and Walter: The School Play - Elissa Haden
Guest, Harcourt, 2003 AR 2.8

Inspector Hopper - Doug Cushman, Harper
Collins, 2000 AR 2.5

Mystery

The Case of the Runaway Dog - James Preller
(Scholastic) AR 3.1

Folk and Fairy Tales

Cendrillon: A Caribbean Cinderella - Daniel
Sans Sauci (Simon Schuster)

The Race of Toad and Deer - Pat Mora
(Scholastic, 1966) AR 3.1

NONFICTION: Cool Science

Splash - A Book About Whales and Dolphins -
Melvin Berger (Scholastic) AR 3.3
The Seashore Question Time – Angela Wilkes
(Kingfisher 2001)

Summer Social Studies

A Cool Drink of Water - Barbara Kerley (National
Geographic 2002)
Ice Cream: Including Great Moments in Ice
Cream History – Jules Older (Charlesbridge
2002)

Poetry

Hey You! C'mere: A Poetry Slam - Elizabeth
Swados (Scholastic 2002)
A Poke in the i: A Collection of Concrete Poems
- Paul B. Janeczko (Candlewick 2001)
Plum - Tony Mitten, Arthur A. Levine 2003
Bow Wow Meow Meow - Douglas Florian,
Harcourt, 2003 AR 2.4
The Owl and the Pussycat - Edward Lear,
Chronicle 2003 AR 2.5

Math

Measuring Penny - Loreen Leedy, Henry Holt AR
3.2
Cookbook: The Kids Can Press Jumbo Cookbook
– Judi Gillies, (Kids Can Press 2001)

Chapter Books: (varying difficulty levels)
(students in Room Two are required to have a
chapter book in their desk for quiet read time
each day during the school year. Here are
some good choices to look at...)

Magic Tree House Series - Mary Pope
Osborne AR 2.8-4.0
Animal Ark Series - Ben Baglio AR 3.2-5.3

The Arthur Series - Marc Brown (beginning
reading) AR 1.5-3.5
My Father's Dragon series - R. Gannet AR 5.6
Junie B. Jones - Barbara Park AR 2.0-3.0
"Gooseberry Park" and the Henry and Mudge
series - Cynthia Rylant AR 2.0-3.0
The Stories Julian Tells and The Stories Huey
Tells (Stepping Stones) - Ann Cameron AR 3.4,
3.1
Annie Pitt Series - Diane deGroat
Step into Reading: Step 2 Series - Stephen
Krensky
Sports Series - Matt Christopher (author) AR
3.0-6.8
The Gator Girls - Joanna Cole AR 2.8
Amber Brown Series - Paula Danziger AR 2.6-4.1
Jigsaw Jones Series - James Prellar AR 3.0-4.2

Advanced Readers

Because of Winn Dixie- Kate DiCamillo AR 3.9
Chasing Vermeer - ARue Balliett AR 5.4
Dragon Rider - Cornelia Funke AR 4.9
Holes - Louis Sachar AR 4.6
Missing May - Cynthia Rylant AR 5.3
Roll of Thunder; Hear My Cry - Mildred E.
Taylor AR 5.7
The Trumpet of the Swan - E.B. White AR 4.9
The Young Man and the Sea - Rodman Philbrick
AR 4.5
Abby Hayes - Anne Mazer AR 3.7-4.0
Bone - Jeff Smith AR 6.8
Children of the Lamp - P.B. Kerr AR 6.6
A Series of Unfortunate Events - Lemony
Snicket AR 6.4-7.0
Time Warp Trio - Jon Scieszka AR 3.5-4.0
The Underland Chronicles- Suzanne Collins
The Wonderful Wizard of Oz - L. Frank Baum
AR 7.0