

Dear First Grade Parents,

Below is a list of supplies that your child will need for the first grade. Please label all supplies coming into school with your child's name. This will avoid confusion for students and the teacher. I am looking forward to seeing you in September!



Sincerely,  
The First Grade Teacher

- 1 box (12 count at least) of sharpened, standard, yellow #2 pencils (Dixon Ticonderoga is recommended).
- 2 large soft pencil cases.
- 1 pair of safety scissors (must have blunt tip)
- 4 large Elmer's glue sticks
- 2 boxes of crayons (no more than 24 in a box)
- 1 coloring book/activity book (to be used for indoor recess)
- 1 package of construction paper (Crayola or Pacon is recommended)
- 3 two-pocket folders (with horizontal pockets)
- 4 composition notebooks (wide ruled)
- 2 black dry-erase markers
- 1 package of index cards
- 1 package of post-its
- Contact paper to cover all workbooks when they are sent home (Please keep at home and use as needed)
- 1 soft standard size backpack (no wheels please)
- 1 soft lunchbox (no metal lunchboxes please) - it is recommended that if you send your child to school with a reusable water bottle, that it be plastic and not metal
- \$8.00 for Scholastic News magazine in a sealed, labeled envelope
- **Boys only:** 1 hand sanitizer pump (regular scent)
  - 2 sealed rolls of paper towels
  - 1 small box of ziplock bags (gallon or sandwich)
- **Girls only:** 1 container of disinfecting wipes (Clorox or Lysol)
  - 2 box of tissues (family size)
  - 1 package of baby wipes

**Please note:** Periodically throughout the year, I will ask for paper good supplies if we happen to run out. Thank you in advance for your cooperation and generosity!

# 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Summer Reading List (SUGGESTED)

Reading is an important skill for incoming first graders. Every child is different and reads at different levels. Here are some titles to get you started! Please note that the reading level of the books suggested varies. If your child is already reading, have him or her read a page of the book aloud to you to see if it is a good fit. If they struggle with more than a few words on the page, it may be too difficult, but the book would still be a great book to read aloud to your child. It is recommended that your child read for at least 15 minutes per day. You can log your reading books using the reading log sent home.

## **Fun Books to Share**

- And I Mean It, Stanley by Crosby Bonsall
- Arthur series by Marc Brown
- A Bad Case of the Stripes by David Shannon
- Berenstain Bear series by Jan and Stan Berenstain
- Clifford series by Norman Bridwell
- Dinosaur Time by Peggy Parish
- The Eye Book by Theo LeSieg
- Franklin Series by Paulette Bourgeois
- Froggy series by Jonathan London
- Green Eggs and Ham by Dr. Seuss
- Hi! Fly Guy by Tedd Arnold
- How I Became a Pirate by Melinda Long
- Junie B. Jones series by Barbara Park
- Little Critter series by Mercer Mayer
- Morris the Moose by Bernard Wiseman
- Nate the Great series by Marjorie Weinman Sharmat
- Rainbow Fish by Marcus Pfister
- The Very Busy Spider by Eric Carle

## **Learning to Read Series**

- Hello Reader!
- I Can Read books
- Puffin Easy-to-Read
- Step into Reading Levels 1-4

## **Alphabet Books**

- Animalia by Graeme Baese
- The Icky Big Alphabet Book by Jerry Pallotta
- Z Was Zapped by Chris Van Allsburg

## **Math in Picture Books**

- How Much is a Million? By David M. Schwartz
- One Potato: A Counting Book of Potato Prints by Diana Pomeroy
- Ten Sly Piranhas: A Counting Story in Reverse by William Wise
- When Sheep Cannot Sleep by Satoshi Kitamura

## **Classics to Read to a First Grader**

- Leo the Late Bloomer by Robert Kraus
- The Little House by Virginia Lee Burton
- Make Way for Ducklings by Robert McCloskey
- When Will I Read? By Miriam Cohen

## **Caldecott Awards and Honor Books**

- Alphabet City by Stephen Johnson
- Ashanti to Zulu: African Traditions by Margaret Musgrove
- The Hello, Goodbye Window by Norton Juster and Chris Raschka
- Owen by Kevin Henkes
- The Polar Express by Chris Van Allsburg
- A Story, A Story by Gail E. Haley