

West Milford Township Public Schools

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Dear Parents and Incoming Kindergarten Students,

Welcome to Kindergarten and the West Milford Township Public Schools! As you begin to enjoy summer, we encourage you to continue to make reading an important part of your family's activities. While reading instruction will be emphasized by your child's teacher throughout the school year, children need to continue to read during the summer months, not only for enjoyment, but also to sustain and strengthen skills they have already developed. We have provided a list of *suggested* titles appropriate for Kindergarten age children to get you started with ideas, but **please feel free to read beyond** them!

Upon request, a Chromebook can be made available to your incoming Kindergarten student for reading digital texts if needed. Please reach out to the elementary school at which your child is registered to make arrangements.

To support families on their annual Summer Reading journeys, we partner with the <u>West Milford Township Public Library</u>. The library has created <u>this special Summer Reading page</u> on their website just for our Program with <u>free resources</u> which can also be accessed remotely. We have also compiled a <u>Free Digital Book Access</u> resource for your convenience.

All of this information can be accessed on the District's website. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Have a wonderful, word-filled summer!

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Suggested Titles:

Alexander, Lloyd. How the Cat Swallowed Thunder

Andreae, Giles. Giraffes Can't Dance

Barton, Chris. Shark vs. Train

Berenstain, Stan and Jan. Bears in the Night

Carle, Eric. The Very Hungry Caterpillar

Chodos-Irvine. Ella Sarah Gets Dressed

Cousins, Lucy. Maisie Series

Fleming, Candace. Muncha, Muncha, Muncha

Fox, Mem. The Magic Hat

Freeman, Don. Corduroy Series

Guarino, Deborah. Is your Mama a Llama?

Haseley, Dennis. A Story for Bear

Henkes, Kevin. Kitten's First Full Moon

Hutchins, Pat. Rosie's Walk

Jenkins, Steve. What Do You Do With a Tail Like This?

Johnson, Crockett. Harold and the Purple Crayon

Keats, Ezra Jack. The Snowy Day

Keller, Holly. Pearl's New Skates

Kirk, David. Miss Spider's Tea Party

Knudsen, Michelle. Library Lion

Kraus, Robert. Leo the Late Bloomer

Lehman, Barbara. The Red Book

Lies, Brian. Bats at the Library

Lionni, Leo. Swimmy

Long, Melinda. How I Became a Pirate

MacLachlan, Patricia. The Sick Day

Marshall, James. George and Martha

Martin, Bill Jr. Brown Bear, Brown Bear,

What Do You See? Chicka Chicka Boom Boom

McCloskey, Robert. Blueberries for Sal, Make Way for Ducklings, One Morning in Maine

Munch, Robert. Love You Forever

Numeroff, Laura Joffe. If You Give Series

Palatini, Margie. Piggie Pie

Penn, Audrey. The Kissing Hand

Piper, Watty. The Little Engine That Could

Polacco, Patricia. G is for Goat

Potter, Beatrix. The Tale of Peter Rabbit

Rosenthal, Amy Krouse. Cookies: Bite-Size Life Lessons

Schaefer, Lola M. An Island Grows

Scieszka, Jon. Cowboy and Octopus

Sendak, Maurice. Where the Wild Things Are

Seuss, Dr. The Cat in the Hat

Silverstein, Shel. A Giraffe and a Half

Slobodkina, Esphyr. Caps for Sale

Steig, William. Sylvester and the Magic Pebble

Stevens, Janet. Tops and Bottoms

Taback, Simms. Joseph Had a Little Overcoat

Thomas, Shelley Moore. Good Knight Series

Viorst, Judith. Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day

Wells, Rosemary. My Kindergarten

Willems, Mo. Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus, Knuffle Bunny: A Cautionary Tale, Today I Will Fly

Williams, Margery. The Velveteen Rabbit

Wood, Audrey. Alphabet Rescue, Alphabet

Adventure, Alphabet Mystery

Yolen, Jane. How do Dinosaurs Go to School?

Also consider reading:

- Books of personal interest
- Other books by the same authors
- Fairy tales
- Nursery rhymes
- Old favorites, over and over!