

June 2011

**Notre Dame Academy Summer Reading Requirement**

**GO F.I.S.H**

**(Find Imagination in Stories at Home)**

**Dear Parents and Guardians,**

Research shows that students who spend time reading at home perform well academically. The best way to develop, strengthen and maintain literacy gains and increase speaking, reading and writing vocabulary is to spend at least 15 minutes each day in the act of listening to stories being read aloud by a willing loving coach. At the incoming Kindergarten level the only tools required are a warm cozy lap, and some well selected titles.

To enhance the crucial gains your child has made in the preschool years, all incoming kindergarteners will be required to complete a reading inventory. The inventory will consist of two parts. Not to panic!

Enclosed you will find a teacher recommended/preferred summer reading list to guide your choices. The rhymes and story patterns featured in many of these selections will help to heighten your child's phonemic awareness and comprehension of story structure. Many titles can be found at the local public library. Your child should record the time spent reading on the enclosed **FISH**. Color **one** scale for each **15** minutes a day spent reading. Attached you will also find a reading log. Parents should help their child to discuss the books they've shared in a given week then log the title, minutes read, rate the book (circle the number of stars) and provide parent initials. This inventory will be due no later than **Friday August 19, 2011**. **This will count as a Language Arts grade.**

Thanks for playing such a vital and continuing role in your child's development as a reader! Enjoy the pleasure of sharing top notch literature! Now **GO F.I.S.H!**

Ms. Smith- Kindergarten

Incoming Kindergarten Summer Reading Selections  
Notre Dame Academy Summer 2011

TITLE	AUTHOR
A Bargain for Frances	Russell Hoban
Alphabet Adventure	Audrey Wood (!)
The Napping House	
The Big Green Pocketbook	Candice Ransom
Brown Bear, Brown Bear What Do You See?	Bill Martin & Eric Carle (!)
The Carrot Seed	Ruth Krauss
Clifford the Big Red Dog	Norman Bridwell (!)
Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus	Mo Wilhems (!)
Frog and Toad Together	Arnold Lobel (!)
Harold and the Purple Crayon	Harold Crockett
Hop on Pop	Dr. Seuss (!)
Ira Sleeps Over	Bernard Waber (!)
Just Me and My Dad	Mercer Mayer (!)
Tops and Bottoms	Janet Stevens
The Runaway Bunny	Margaret Brown (!)

Miss Spider's Tea Party

David Kirk (!)

The Rainbow Fish

Marcus Pfister (!)

The Grouchy Ladybug

Eric Carle (!)

A Color of His Own

Alexander and the Wind Up Mouse

Frederick

Leo Lionni (!)

Sheep in a Jeep

Nancy Shaw (!)

The Snowy Day

A Letter for Amy

Ezra Keats (!)

Arthur's Eyes

Marc Brown (!)

The Giving Tree

Shel Silverstein

If You Give a Mouse a Cookie

If You Give a Pig a Pancake

If You Give A Moose a Muffin

Fish Eyes

Mole Hill

Growing Vegetable Soup

Laura Numeroff (!)

Lois Ehlert(!)

The Three Little Pigs

Goldilocks and the Three Bears

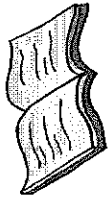
Little Red Riding Hood

Cinderella

Hansel and Gretel

James Marshall

(!)- ANY OTHER TITLE FROM THIS AUTHOR/SERIES IS  
ALSO A TEACHER PREFERRED SELECTION.



# Reading Log for \_\_\_\_\_

## Summer 2011

# of Books Read	Date Completed	Title	Author	Home or Library?	Minutes	Rating(1-5 stars)	Parent Initials
1.						★ ★ ★ ★ ★	
2						★ ★ ★ ★ ★	
3						★ ★ ★ ★ ★	
4						★ ★ ★ ★ ★	
5						★ ★ ★ ★ ★	
6						★ ★ ★ ★ ★	
7						★ ★ ★ ★ ★	
8						★ ★ ★ ★ ★	

Codes for Reading Log Entries

RF Realistic Fiction

HF Historic Fiction

SF Science Fiction

F Fantasy

M Mystery

A Adventure

H Humor

P Poetry

FT Folk Tales

NF Nonfiction

B Biography

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

DUE NEXT  
Friday August 19!

Incoming

\* Kindergarten: Color one scale for each 15 mins. of reading you record in your reading log.

