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Step Up Day Information

Dear Students,

Congratulations for moving up to the next grade! I am very excited to be your teacher. We are going to learn, play, and have a great time in the upcoming school year. If you have any questions, please ask. This page should go home and be shared with your parents.

Reading: I love books and I hope you do too! There will be many opportunities for you to share books that you enjoy with the class. At some point in the 2nd/3rd grades we will read the following books. If you've already read one of these, that's okay! If you haven't read any of the following please wait to read it in school. Thank you!

Please DO NOT Read:

Mr. Popper's Penguins by Richard and Florence Atwater

Sarah Plain and Tall by Patricia MacLachlan

Henry Huggins by Beverly Cleary

Shoeshine Girl by Clyde Robert Bulla

Big Wave by Pearl S. Buck

The Mouse and the Motorcycle by Beverly Cleary

Grace the Pirate by Kathryn Lasky

The Story of Dr. Doolittle by Hugh Lofting

My Father's Dragon by Ruth Stiles Gannett

Pippi Longstocking by Astrid Lindgren

Ramona the Brave by Beverly Cleary

Esio Trot by Roald Dahl

Please DO Read:

Please read at least 3 chapter books this summer. I have picked one chapter book for you. You can read your assigned book on your own or ask a family member to read with you. It's absolutely okay for a parent or friend to read the book to you, read it together, or read it on your own. The other two chapter books you read are your choice. Please ask a parent to use the websites below to find books that are interesting to you, or visit your local library. Please read more than three books if you have time. There are six

spots to record books you've read. This means you could read two a month, or more! If you need more space to record, use the back of the paper to add additional books read. Please turn in your reading record the first week of school. We will be discussing your required reading the first week back at school so be sure you have read it!

Required Summer Reading:

Second graders: Charlotte's Web by E.B. White

Third graders: Stuart Little by E.B. White

Websites with Ideas for Summer Reading:

<http://www.123homeschool4me.com/2014/08/top-25-chapter-book-series-for-1st-2nd.html>

<http://www.greatschools.org/gk/book-lists/favorite-books-for-second-graders/>

<http://www.greatschools.org/gk/book-lists/favorite-books-for-third-graders/>

Dear Parents,

I hope you all have a wonderful summer! Please feel free to contact me this summer if you have any questions. I look forward to working with each of you to further your child's education and love of learning.

Sincerely,

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