

**GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC SCHOOL  
SUMMER READING  
STUDENTS ENTERING GRADE 1**



Dear Parents,

Your child has worked very hard and has learned a lot this school year. In the summer months, all children are at risk of losing some of the learning they obtained during the school year. Summer is the time that children either leap ahead or fall behind.

When children don't read, they often experience a "summer slide." This is not the playground slide, but rather the loss of reading and learning skills that occurs during the long break from school. Therefore, children that don't read during the summer can begin the new school year up to two levels behind!!

Reading at home during the summer is the best way to prevent the "summer slide" and keep your child on the right track for success. By reading during the summer, your child will more than likely start the new school year ahead in their learning.

Please encourage your child to read this summer. Inside of the Summer Practice Packet is a Summer Reading Log. On the back of this page you will find some great books recommended for children entering the first grade. I invite you and your child to complete the Summer Practice Packet and the Summer Reading Log.

Every child who returns the completed Summer Practice Packet to me at the beginning of the new school year will receive a treat!

Have a great summer, and happy reading!



**Students Entering Grade 1**  
**Suggested Books For Summer**  
**Reading**

Below you will find a list of suggested books for students entering into first grade. Feel free to read any books that interest your child even if they are not included on this list.

- The Cat In The Hat (or any Dr. Seuss Book)
- Pete the Cat Too Cool for School (or any Pete the Cat book)
  - The Grouchy Ladybug
  - Hi! Fly Guy
- Biscuit Goes to School (or any biscuit book)

Happy Reading!