

Dear Parents,

As summer approaches, we want to encourage your child to explore the joys of reading and storytelling. Developing early reading habits helps incoming kindergarteners build important literacy skills and a lifelong love for books. Below are some fun and engaging activities to make reading a special part of your summer routine!

Summer Reading Activities for Your Rising Kindergartener

 **Daily Storytime** – Read aloud together for 10–15 minutes each day. Let your child pick books that spark their curiosity!

 **Act It Out** – Bring stories to life by acting out different characters and using fun voices.

 **Story Illustrations** – Have your child draw pictures of their favorite book characters or scenes.

 **Library Adventures** – Visit the library for storytime sessions, book browsing, and summer reading programs.

 **Letter & Sound Games** – Play games that help your child recognize letters and sounds, like finding words on signs or in books.

 **Nursery Rhyme Fun** – Sing classic nursery rhymes to build language skills and phonemic awareness.

 **Book Talk Conversations** – Ask your child questions about the books they hear, like "What was your favorite part?" or "What do you think will happen next?"

Please complete and send it in the first week of school:

Choose two stories you read over the summer and have your child illustrate his/her favorite part of the story. Write down what your child tells you about his/her drawing. Please remember to write the title and author of the books you are writing about. The more a child reads and is read to over the summer, the more likely he/she is to make a smooth transition into the next school year!

Kindergarten Math Bingo

During the summer, it is important to make sure that what was learned in preschool is retained. The Kindergarten Math Bingo boards contain many fun math skill activities for you and your child to enjoy over the summer. Two different boards are provided. Choose a different board each week or pick the same one for two weeks and then change back. Cover a bingo row (horizontal, vertical, or diagonal) each day to cover the board each week.) Have fun!

Kindergarten Prayers

Practice the Sign of the Cross with your child over the summer. Included in this packet is a Sign of the Cross worksheet for your child to color and use as a guide

Have a wonderful summer!

God bless,
Mrs. Brady
Mrs. Morell



Summer Reading List

Pre K-Kindergarten

Title	Author
ABC T-Rex	Bernard Most
Alphabet Adventure	Audrey Wood
Are You My Mother?	P. D. Eastman
Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?	Bill Martin Jr.
Chicka Chicka Boom Boom	Bill Martin Jr. and John Archambault
Go Away, Big Green Monster!	Ed Emberley
Goodnight Moon	Margaret Wise Brown
The Grouchy Ladybug	Eric Carle
Guess How Much I Love You	Sam McBratney
How Many Snails? A Counting Book	Paul Giganti Jr.
Is Your Mama a Llama?	Deborah Guarino
It Looked Like Spilt Milk	Charles G. Shaw
The Little Engine That Could	Watty Piper
The Napping House	Audrey Wood
Quick as a Cricket	Audrey Wood
There's a Nightmare in My Closet	Mercer Mayer
To Market, To Market	Anne Miranda
The Very Hungry Caterpillar	Eric Carle
Where the Wild Things Are	Maurice Sendak

Grades 1-2

Title	Author
Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day	Judith Viorst
Amelia Bedelia	Peggy Parish
Caps for Sale	Esphyr Slobodkina
The Cat in the Hat	Dr. Seuss
A Chair for My Mother	Vera B. Williams
Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs	Judi Barrett
Corduroy	Don Freeman
Frog and Toad Are Friends	Arnold Lobel
The Giving Tree	Shel Silverstein
Green Eggs and Ham	Dr. Seuss
If You Give a Pig a Party	Laura Numeroff
Madeline	Ludwig Bemelmans
Miss Nelson Is Missing!	Harry G. Allard
My Father's Dragon	Ruth Stiles Gannett
Nate the Great	Marjorie Weinman Sharmat
One Fish Two Fish Red Fish Blue Fish	Dr. Seuss
The Relatives Came	Cynthia Rylant
Sharks	Gail Gibbons
Stone Soup	Marcia Brown
Strega Nona	Tomie dePaola
Tacky the Penguin	Helen Lester



Title: _____

Author: _____

Draw your favorite part of the story.



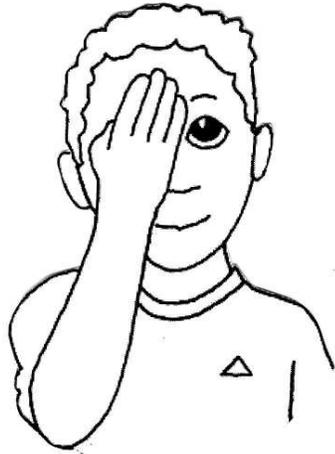
Kindergarten Summer Bingo #2

Match uppercase to lowercase letters.	Play Simon Says.	Measure your favorite toy with crayons.	Find 16 things that are blue.	Practice writing numbers 1-10.
Put a small toy on the floor. How many times can you jump over it?	Draw a blue, red pattern with crayons.	What is your address? Tell two people, "My address is...."	Practice cutting straight lines. Practice cutting zig zag lines.	How many people are in your family? Tell someone the people in your family.
Sing Head, Shoulders, Knees and Toes and do the motions.	Make instant pudding.	Write your first name 5 times. Write your last name two times. Count all the names. Can you count all the letters in your first and last name?	Draw a picture of your family. Count the people in your family.	Draw a red, yellow pattern with crayons.
Sing Hey Diddle Diddle. Have someone help you create a list of words that rhyme with cat. Count the words.	Count the doors in your house.	Practice drawing 6 squares. Cut 3 of the squares out. How many are left?	What is your phone number. Tell two people, "My phone number is...."	Sing Humpty Dumpty to two people. How would you help Humpty Dumpty?
Cut three straws into two pieces and line up the pieces from shortest to longest.	Count 19 goldfish crackers. Buy the rainbow kind and sort by color before you eat. Which color has more? Less?	Tell someone your phone number. Write your phone number.	Skip back and forth two times.	Count to 20.

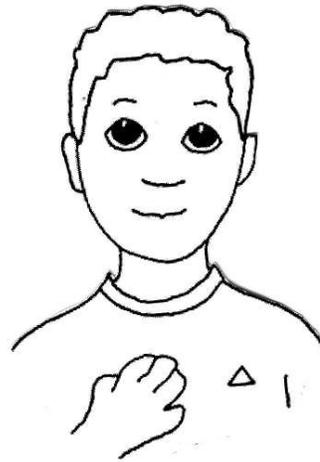
Kindergarten Summer Bingo #1

Count your fingers and someone else's fingers together.	Make a sandwich. Tell someone how you made the sandwich.	Write your name and count the letters.	Line up ten objects and count them.	How many triangles can you find in your house?
Write your name with chalk on the sidewalk. Use a different color to write it again.	Sing the alphabet song. Sing again pointing to the letters.	Cut five strips of paper into two pieces and line them up from shortest to tallest.	Learn the colors in the rainbow in order and draw a rainbow.	Hop from one mailbox to the next and count your hops.
Give your child some plastic forks, spoons, and paper plates. Have her sort into groups and count to tell which group has the most.	Learn and sing 5 Little Monkeys Jumping on the Bed.	Give your child three directions and have him/her follow them without you repeating.	Make the first letter of your name with play dough.	Eat something green.
Count 5 objects and take 2 away. How many are left? Do this with 4 objects.	Tell someone one of the rules at your house.	Use crayons to draw shapes.	Sing Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star to two people. How many things can you count in the night sky?	How many red things can you find in your house? How many yellow things?
Draw a person using circles, rectangles, triangles, and trapezoids.	Line up 5 cars. Discuss which is first, second, third, etc. Repeat.	What are some words you can use to describe a bird? Make a list and count the words.	Draw 11 circles.	Do 20 jumping jacks and count them.

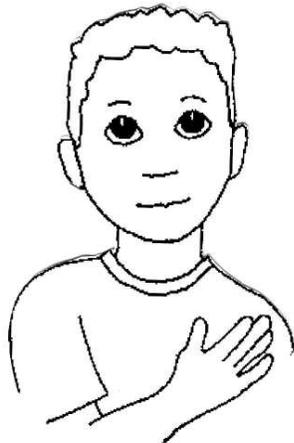
The Sign of the Cross



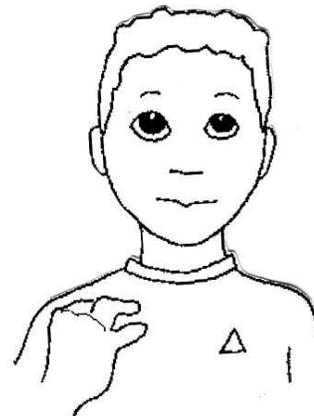
1. In the name of the Father,



2. and of the Son,



3. and of the Holy



4. Spirit.



5. Amen.