

Dear Parents,

We are looking forward to your second grade child coming up to Swartz Upper Elementary next year. Your child will be taking a major step in his/her education. We would like to help make the transition as smooth as possible.

On the bottom of this letter is the third grade recommended reading list for the summer months. This list provides a variety of books to build interest for reading for enjoyment in your students. Please encourage your child to read during the summer to keep their comprehension and vocabulary skills sharp! All of the books on this list are books on our Swartz Accelerated Reader list. Next year your child will be starting the STARR Reading program. It is an AR program that tests your child individually, determines their independent reading level, and sets personal reading goals for them. This program is super successful and provides the opportunity for every child to build confidence in their reading!

Parents, please encourage your child to read during the summer to help him/her continue to strengthen reading comprehension and vocabulary skills. The Louise Williams Public Library located on Joe White Road is a great resource in our area to help keep your child reading a variety of books!!

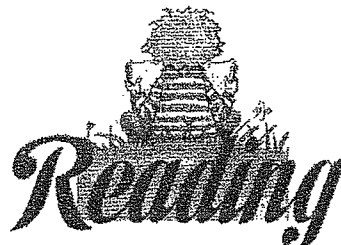
** This year we want to reward our future third graders who make the effort to read over the summer!! We will give 5 bonus points in Reading to ANY Student who turns in a Reading Log signed by their parents showing they read 3 chapter books plus 5 other types of reading material (picture books, magazines, ...) over the summer. We know reading sharpens the mind and keeps brains active! Any child willing to keep reading over the summer will be ahead of the game when school starts! We look forward to teaching your child to develop a love for Reading!

Sincerely,
Third Grade Teachers

3RD GRADE SUMMER READING SUGGESTIONS

SERIES BOOKS

Junie B. Jones
Horrible Harry
Boxcar Children
Amber Brown
Kids of Polk Street School
Flat Stanley
Picture Book Biographies
Magic Tree House Books
My Weirder School Series
George Brown Class Clown
Diary of a Whimpy Kid Books



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