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Dear Parents/Guardians:

Enclosed is your child's summer reading assignment. The goal of the district's Summer Reading Program is to "develop a love of reading by promoting reading as an enjoyable experience." This year, Summer Reading Friday is on September 14, 2012 and celebrates the summer reading assignment in your child's class.

Please encourage reading during the summer. You are invited to share in the joy and pleasure of reading with your child.

You may access additional summer reading program information and electronic versions of the enclosed assignment by visiting the Somerville Public School district's website: www.somervillenk12.org.

Sincerely,



Thomas A. Conroy

Read, relax, and enjoy your summer!

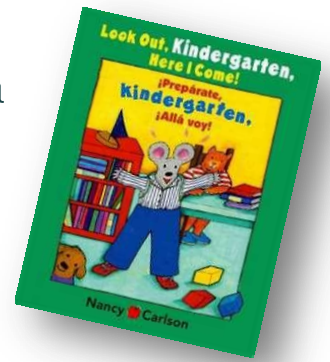
Attachments

c: Susan Haynes, Principal of Van Derveer Elementary School

Van Derveer School

2012 Summer Reading – Kindergarten

The required summer reading for all students entering Kindergarten is ***Look Out Kindergarten, Here I Come.***



Each Kindergarten student must read at least two books: the required book ***Look Out Kindergarten, Here I Come*** and a book of his/her choice.

Suggestions for the second book are listed below.

Suggested Additional Readings:

- ✓ *A Splendid Friend, Indeed* by Suzanne Bloom
- ✓ *Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?* by Bill Martin, Jr.
- ✓ *Chicken Said, "Cluck!"* by Judyann Ackerman Grant
- ✓ *Clifford Gets a Job* by Norman Bridwell
- ✓ *Duck & Goose* by Tad Hills
- ✓ *Lilly's Big Day* by Kevin Henkes
- ✓ *Regards to the Man in the Moon* by Ezra Jack Keats
- ✓ *"Slowly, Slowly, Slowly," said the Sloth* by Eric Carle
- ✓ *Ten Black Dots* by Donald Crews
- ✓ *There Is a Bird on Your Head!* by Mo Willems
- ✓ A book of your choice focused on a favorite topic (such as all about me, animals, family, friends)



Other suggestions for more challenging readings: (Optional)

- *Africa Calling, Nighttime Falling* by Daniel Adlerman
- *Boss for a Day* (The Barker Twins series) by Tomie dePaola
- *Danny and the Dinosaur* by Syd Hoff
- *Froggy Learns to Swim* by Jonathan London
- *Giggle, Giggle, Quack* by Doreen Cronin
- *Gingerbread Friends* by Jan Brett
- *If You Give a Mouse a Cookie* by Laura Joffe Numeroff
- *Max's Dragon Shirt* (Max and Ruby Series) by Rosemary Wells
- *Theodore and the Talking Mushroom* by Leo Lionni



Complete the attached form and bring it to school on Summer Reading Friday, September 14, 2012.

Visit the district website to download summer reading activities at: www.somervillenjk12.org

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Name: _____

Entering: Kindergarten

Summer Reading Summary

Parents/Guardians: Please encourage your child to read as much of this book as he/she can.
You are welcome to read this book to your child to share in the joy and pleasure of reading.

Title: *Look Out Kindergarten, Here I Come*

Author: Nancy Carlson

Draw a picture of your favorite part of the book.

Write a sentence about your book.

The second book I read was:

Title of Book: _____

Author: _____

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