

Summer Bookbag – Read 5 and Thrive!

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Part II



- If you are going on a vacation, to a sports event, or to a museum, **read with your child beforehand** about the place or event. Afterwards, you can read the brochures or programs together and enjoy your memories.
- Find **multiple ways to have your children write**. Can they write the grocery list or the names of the movies you want to see? Maybe it's time to send a note or make a card for Grandma or a cousin. How about postcards on vacation?
- Keep a supply of **pens, pencils, and paper available** (think dollar store). Some children enjoy keeping a journal, so providing a notebook, stickers, and colored pens or pencils can keep them motivated. Ask younger children to write a sentence that tells about their drawing.
- A few **websites** with information for parents and fun activities for kids:
www.readingrockets.org
www.rif.org
www.pbskids.org
<http://www.scholastic.com/summerreading/> - a summer reading challenge!

If you plan for opportunities to practice reading and writing skills, the summer will be richer, and when it's time for "back to school," your child will be ready for the challenges of the new school year! Please feel free to contact me at cintrocaso@woodburysch.com with any questions.

Suggestions for books:

K-2

Click, Clack, Moo by Doreen Cronin

Wemberly Worried by Kevin Henkes
Three Snow Bears by Jan Brett
Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus (Series) by Mo Willems
A Good Day by Kevin Henkes
Click, Clack, Splish, Splash: A Counting Adventure by Doreen Cronin
Dear Mrs. LaRue (Series) by Mark Teague
Knuffle Bunny by Mo Willems
Fly Guy (Series) by Tedd Arnold
Trevor's Wiggly-Wobbly Tooth by Lester Laminack
One Is a Snail, Ten Is a Crab by April Pulley Sayre
Velma Gratch and the Way Cool Butterfly by Alan Madison
Nate the Great (Series) by Marjorie Sharmat
Henry And Mudge And Annie's Perfect Pet (Series) by Cynthia Rylant
The Bugliest Bug by Carol Diggory Shields
The Umbrella by Jan Brett
A Bad Case of Stripes by David Shannon
Bug Safari by Bob Barner
Diary of a Fly by Doreen Cronin
Mr. Putter and Tabby Paint the Porch by Cynthia Rylant
The Bug in Teacher's Coffee: And Other School Poems by Kalli Dakos
Tico and the Golden Wings by Leo Lionni
The Library Lion by Michelle Knudson
Oliver and Albert, Friends Forever (Series) by Jean Van Leeuwen
Tales of Oliver Pig (Series) by Jean Van Leeuwen

Beginning chapter books, like the series *Frog and Toad* and *Little Bear* are especially popular with early readers, who enjoy the idea of a "chapter" book.

3-5

The Stories Julian Tells (Series) by Ann Cameron
Frindle by Andrew Clements
The Math Curse by Jon Scieszka

Mr. Klutz Is Nuts (My Weird School Series) by Dan Gutman
Glass Slipper, Gold Sandal by Paul Fleischmann
If I Ran For President by Catherine Stier
Lunch Money by Andrew Clements
So You Want To Be President? by Judith St. George
Good Sports by Jack Prelutsky
Cam Jansen and the Birthday Mystery (Series) by Adler
Saturdays and Teacakes by Lester Laminack
No Talking by Andrew Clements
Thank You, Mr. Falker by Patricia Polacco
Gooseberry Park by Cynthia Rylant
We Were There Too: Young People in American History by Phillip Hoose
O, Say Can You See? America's Symbols, Landmarks And Inspiring Words by Shelia Keenan
Ramona Forever (Chapter Book Series) by Beverly Cleary
Crispin by Avi
26 Fairmount Avenue by Tomie dePoala
Bud, Not Buddy by Christopher Paul Curtis
Hatchet by Gary Paulsen
Amber Brown Is Not a Crayon (Series) by Paula Danziger
Matilda by Roald Dahl
The Scarlet Stocking Spy by Trinka Noble
Two Hot Dogs with Everything by Paul Haven
Gooney Bird Greene (Chapter Book Series) by Lois Lowry