

SUMMER READING

2009

For students who have by June, 2009 completed grades Pre K, K and 1.

We are asking parents to read frequently to your child during the summer months to provide language and literacy skills that will help your child learn to read. Young children enjoy being read to—and the parental or adult attention that goes with it—and they are likely to request the same stories over and over; the repetition is enjoyable to a child and important to language development. Even picture books and language in simple children's books enhance children's learning and vocabulary. Rhyming books (nursery rhymes) emphasize recurring patterns of sounds that are particularly helpful to your child when he/she begins to sound out words and letters. *Words and stories can be in any language that you as a parent are most comfortable using.*

Students should be ready to retell their favorite story to their classmates when they return to school.

Students who will be entering grade 2 in September are also required to

Create a bookmark about one of the books read. They are to

- 1. Include one picture or illustration on the bookmark.**
- 2. Use at least three colors, you may use more.**
- 3. Include the name of the book and the author on the back of the bookmark.**

Bookmarks must be presented to the teacher on September 14, 2009. They will be graded and then displayed.