



SMM Summer Learning

Dear 1st Grade Graduate and Family,

Congratulations! You have worked hard and reached the end of another year. I hope you feel proud and spend lots of time this summer having fun outdoors. When you are not in the pool or at a theme park, take time to practice the skills you learned this year.

We encourage you to do the following this summer:

- Read, read, read! Read together with family or all by yourself. Any reading is great reading. Look at the Sunshine State Jr. list attached for some newer book ideas or try some of the favorites listed below.
 - Junie B. Jones
 - Henry and Mudge
 - Magic Tree House
 - My Weird School
- Practice counting by 5s and other number families (by 2s, 10s, etc.).
- Practice counting money and telling time to the half hour.
- Practice adding with regrouping.
- Explore fun math apps to strengthen number sense like *Quick Math Jr.* or *Go Math Go*.

Optional work to turn in to receive recognition as a Summer Scholar. You will get a certificate and a treat in August of the next year.

- Read one Sunshine State Book and complete "A Good Summer Read"
- Read one book from Step-Up at your reading level under the "Reading" tab. Print and complete comprehension questions.
- Complete 5 days of math from Summer Step-Up (print pages)

If you need help accessing your Summer Step-Up account, please see the instructions attached. Additionally, the office will be open during much of the summer if you have any questions. Thank you!

Sincerely,
Mrs. Branson, Mrs. Chapman, and Miss Veliz



SUMMER STEP-UP



We are excited to introduce an on-line math and ELA curriculum called **Summer Step-Up** that SMM will be using for our Summer Learning Portfolios. **Summer Step-Up** was created by one of our own teachers, Becky Kenefick, to keep students sharp and prepared for the upcoming school year. All SMM families will have access to math, reading, language arts, and writing enrichment opportunities through **Summer Step-Up**. The material has content aimed at 1st through 5th grade graduates but all SMM families are welcome to use the program.

Math

The math pages are printable PDFs with two pages for each day. Page one of each day provides practice for general math concepts. Page two of each day provides practice in basic facts. The curriculum is directly aligned to the math texts used at SMM and the math curriculum used throughout the Diocese.

Reading

The reading comprehension activities are based on high-interest books many of which are award-winning and come from the Sunshine State List. The list of books is organized into AR levels. If you are not familiar with AR levels, they generally correspond with grade level (3.0 - 3.9 levels are appropriate for many 3rd grade readers).

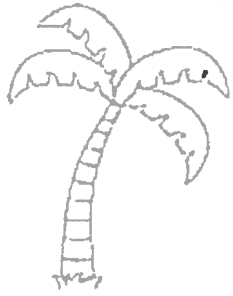
Writing

The writing portion of Summer Step-Up includes a list of captivating, grade-level appropriate journal prompts. Students are encouraged to let their creativity flow by drawing pictures, comics, charts, and sketches to accompany their writing.

To login:

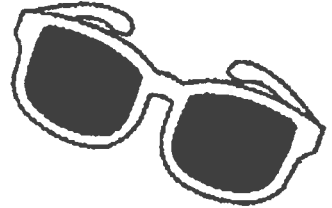
- Go to www.SummerStepUp.com
- Click the "Log-in" button on the upper-right corner of the page
- Students enter login: SmmcsStudent and password: Summer2018
- Parents enter login: Parent2018 and password: SummerParent2018 (*Note: Parent login gives access to answer sheets.*)
- Scroll across the tabs on the top blue bar to view menus. Then choose the subject and grade level of your choice.

If you have any trouble accessing the website, please contact the school office at (407) 644-7537.



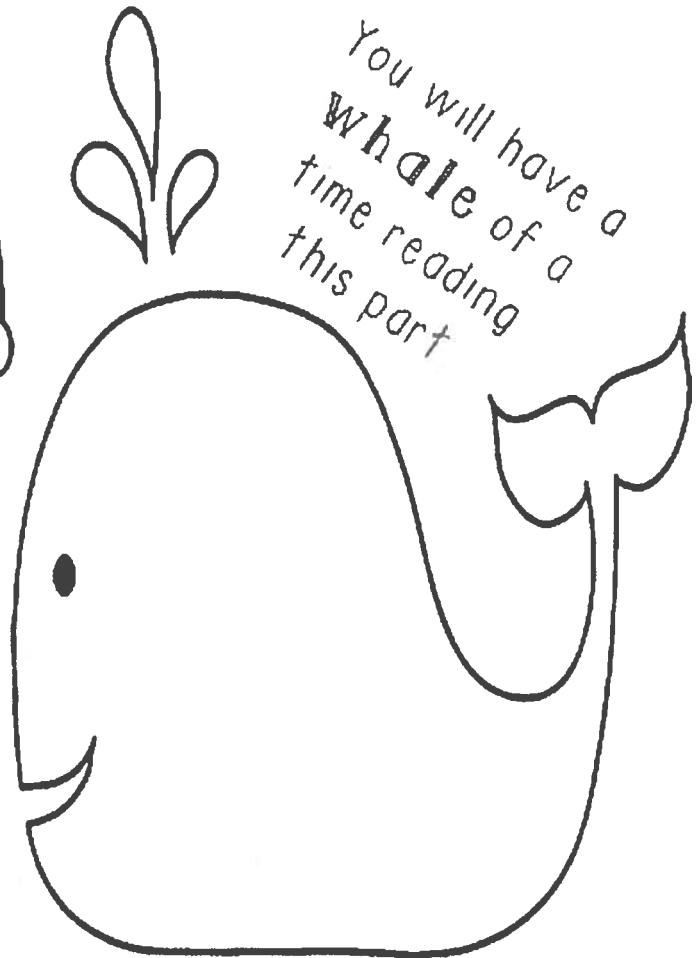
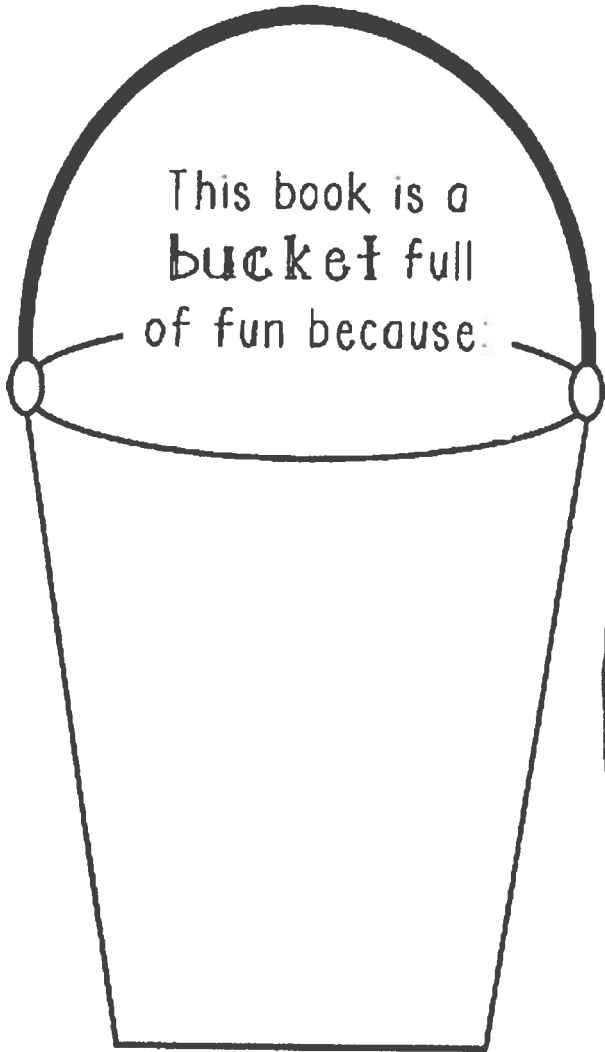
A Good Summer Read

Check out this book:



This book is a
bucket full
of fun because:

You will have a
whale of a
time reading
this part

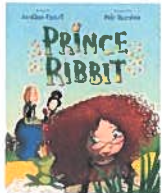


2018-2019 SSYRA Jr. Annotated Book List



I Am Not a Chair by Ross Burach

Could there be anything worse for Giraffe? Maybe being sat on by a skunk or smooshed by two hapless hippos, or worst of all--cornered by a hungry lion? No one seems to notice that Giraffe is not standing around just to be sat upon. Will he be able to find his voice and make his friends realize who he really is?



Prince Ribbit by Jonathan Emmet & Illustrated by Poly Bernatene

Fairy tales are just stories--or so Princess Martha believes. But when her sisters meet a talking frog, they're convinced that giving him the royal treatment will turn him into Prince Charming. After all, that's what happens in their story books. Martha isn't so sure. The more she sees of Prince Ribbit, the more suspicious she becomes. Armed with the facts, Martha sets out to expose Prince Ribbit and prove to her sisters that "just because it's in a book doesn't mean it's true." But before "The End," Princess Martha might just learn that lesson for herself!



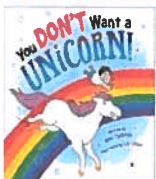
Jabari Jumps by Gaia Cornwell

Jabari is definitely ready to jump off the diving board. He's finished his swimming lessons and passed his swim test, and he's a great jumper, so he's not scared at all. He is working up the courage to take a big, important leap, but Jabari is *almost* absolutely ready to make a giant splash.



The Legend of Rock Paper Scissors by Drew Daywalt & Illustrated by Adam Rex

Rock, Paper and Scissor have never lost a battle. They each go on a quest to find a worthy opponent. A humorous story of how the rock, paper, and scissors found each other and formed a battle game.



You Don't Want a Unicorn! By Ame Dyckman & Illustrated by Liz Climo

When a little boy throws a coin in a well asking for a pet unicorn, he has no idea what kind of trouble he's in for. Unbeknownst to him, unicorns make the absolutely worst pets: they shed, they poke holes in your ceiling, and they make a big mess.



Be Quiet! by Ryan T. Higgins

All Rupert the mouse wants is to star in a beautiful, wordless picture book. One that's visually stimulating! With scenic pictures! And style! He has plenty of ideas about what makes a great book, but his friends just **WON'T. STOP. TALKING.**



Tyrannosaurus Rex vs. Edna, the Very First Chicken by Douglas Rees & Illustrated by Jed Henry

Tyrannosaurus Rex wants breakfast. He stomps, and he roars, and he gnashes his teeth--and he scares all the other dinosaurs right out of the forest. Only Edna, the very first chicken, is unafraid. She won't let that bully T. Rex push her around! But will Edna's mighty beak and terrible flapping wings be a match for T. rex's mighty claws and terrible jaws?



Nerdy Birdy Tweets by Aaron Reynolds & illustrated by Matt Davies

Nerdy Birdy and his best friend, Vulture, are very different. Luckily, you don't have to agree on everything to still be friends. One day, Nerdy Birdy joins Tweetster, and the friend requests start flying in. Vulture watches as Nerdy Birdy gets swept up in his new friendships. When she finally gets angry, Nerdy Birdy knows just what to do to make things right.



After the Fall by Dan Santat

Humpty Dumpty is an avid bird watcher whose favorite place to be is high up on the city wall, that is, until *after* his famous fall. Now terrified of heights, Humpty can no longer do many of the things he loves most. Will he summon the courage to face his fear?



Escargot by Dashka Slater & illustrated by Sydney Hanson

Bonjour! Escargot is a beautiful French snail who wants only two things: 1. To be your favorite animal. 2. To get to the delicious salad at the end of the book. But when he gets to the salad, he discovers that there's a carrot in it. And Escargot hates carrots. But when he finally tries one (with a little help from you!) He discovers that it's not so bad after all.

The Beginning Chapter Books



Noodleheads See the Future by Tedd Arnold, Mitch Weiss & Martha Hamilton

Inspired by folktales about fools from around the world, brothers Mac and Mac Noodlehead exasperate Uncle Ziti, are fooled by their friend Meatball, and make a garden for their mother.



CatStronauts: Mission Moon by Drew Brockington

When the world is thrust into darkness due to a global energy shortage, the World's Best Scientist comes up with a bold plan to set up a solar power plant on the moon. But someone has to go up there to set it up, and that adventure falls to the CatStronauts, the best space cats on the planet! Meet the fearless commander Major Meowser, brave-but-hungry pilot Waffles, genius technician and inventor Blanket, and quick thinking science officer Pom Pom on their most important mission yet!



The Last Firehawk: The Ember Stone by Katrina Charman & illustrated by Jeremy Norton

A terrible darkness is spreading across Perodia. Thorn, a powerful vulture, is using dark magic and his army of spies to destroy the magical land. A young owl named Tag may be the only one who can save it! Tag dreams of one day becoming a brave warrior, but he is small. In this first book, Tag and his best friend, a squirrel named Skyla, meet the last firehawk. Together, the three friends learn about a magical stone. Could this stone be powerful enough to defeat Thorn?



Hilde cracks the Case: Hero Dog! by Hilde Lysiak & illustrated by Joanne Lew-Vriethoff

Nine-year-old crime reporter Hilde Lysiak is starring in her very own early chapter book series inspired by news stories Hilde wrote in real life! In this first book, there's been a break-in on Orange Street! Cupcakes have been stolen, and soon a pie goes missing, too. Hilde and her sister/photographer, Izzy, must interview witnesses and follow the clues. Can Hilde crack the case in time to post her news story online?



Fergus and Zeke by Kate Messner & illustrated by Heather Ross

Fergus loves being the class pet in Miss Maxwell's classroom. He does everything the students do, until the teacher plans a field trip to the museum without Fergus! He doesn't want to miss the fun, so he stows away in a backpack and sets off for an adventure. He meets a new friend, Zeke, who knows the ropes, and together they explore everything. But when the time comes for the bus to leave, Fergus is worried that he'll be left behind. Will he make it back to school?