

West Milford Township Public Schools

Summer Reading 2010



Dear Parents and Students **entering Kindergarten:**

Welcome to the 2010 Summer Reading Program. Summer reading should be fun and is important!

While you enjoy the summer, please make reading a part of your activities every day. While reading instruction will be emphasized throughout the year, children who practice reading during the summer maintain and strengthen skills that they already have developed. Your role as “Reading Coach” is important in encouraging your child to read every day. Practice in reading is like practicing soccer, piano, or any other endeavor. Everyone gets better with practice! If you make this a special time together and show your child that reading is important, they will know it is important!

Students who return their Summer Reading Form before their school’s Back to School Night will be eligible to receive a gift certificate to their school’s Book Fair. The winners will be announced at your school’s Back to School Night, so get your forms in to your teacher as soon as school begins in September. Every student who completes the Summer Reading Program and submits the attached form by September 30, 2010 will receive a Certificate of Participation. Parents are asked to sign the form verifying their child has read the books listed. By the way, feel free to read more books than we ask you to!!!

Summer reading is a great time for pleasure reading, as well as a terrific opportunity for students to explore favorite subjects and to pursue new interests. Students who participate in this program are able to pursue their personal interests by reading ten books. A list of suggested titles is attached to help you get started. You may read the books to your child or, when possible, children may read the books independently.

This information will be available on the district’s web site: www.wmtps.org, under district wide programs, and at the West Milford Township Public Library. When visiting the Library, the Children’s Librarian will be happy to assist you in selecting books for your child. If you have any questions, please give me a call.

Enjoy your reading – this summer and all year through!

Sincerely,

Iris Wechling
Director of Education

Attachment



**West Milford Township Public Schools
Elementary School Summer 2010 Reading Program
Entering Kindergarten**

Name: _____

September 2010 Teacher: _____

I/We have read the following books as part of the Summer Reading Program.

TITLE	AUTHOR
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Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

☆☆☆ KIDS WHO READ ARE THE ONES WHO SUCCEED ☆☆☆

Please return this form on or before your school's Back to School Night to be eligible for the BOOK FAIR drawing. Certificates of Participation will be given out to all students who return their Summer Reading Form by September 30, 2010.

Be sure to discuss these stories with your child. What do they think will happen next? What did they like about the story? Reread their favorites. Most of all – Enjoy your time reading together!

WEST MILFORD TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS



Elementary Summer 2010 Reading List Books to Share with Your Entering Kindergarten Child

Alexander, Lloyd. *How the Cat Swallowed Thunder*
Andreae, Giles. *Giraffes Can't Dance*
Berenstain, Stan and Jan. *Bears in the Night*
Carle, Eric. *The Very Hungry Caterpillar*
Chodos-Irvine. *Ella Sarah Gets Dressed*
Cousins, Lucy. *Maisie Series*
Fleming, Candace. *Muncha, Muncha, Muncha*
Fox, Mem. *The Magic Cat*
Freeman, Don. *Corduroy Series*
Haseley, Dennis. *A Story for Bear*
Henkes, Kevin. *Kitten's First Full Moon*
Hutchins, Pat. *Rosie's Walk*
Jenkins, Steve. *What Do You Do With a Tail Like This?*
Johnson, Crockett. *Harold and the Purple Crayon*
Keats, Ezra Jack. *The Snowy Day*
Keller, Holly. *Pearl's New Skates*
Kellogg, Steven. *Is Your Mama a Llama?*
Kirk, David. *Miss Spider's Tea Party*
Knudsen, Michelle. *Library Lion*
Kraus, Robert. *Leo the Late Bloomer*
Lehman, Barbara. *The Red Book*
Lionni, Leo. *Swimmy*
Long, Melinda. *How I Became a Pirate*
Marshall, James. *George and Martha*
Martin, Bill Jr. *Brown Bear, Brown Bear,
What Do You See? Chicka Chicka Boom Boom*
MacLachlan, Patricia. *The Sick Day*
McCloskey, Robert. *Blueberries for Sal
Make Way for Ducklings
One Morning in Maine*
Munch, Robert. *Love You Forever*
Numeroff, Laura Joffe. *If You Give... Series*
Palatini, Margie. *Piggie Pie*
Penn, Audrey. *The Kissing Hand*
Piper, Wally. *The Little Engine That Could*
Polacco, Patricia. *"G" is for Goat*
Potter, Beatrix. *The Tale of Peter Rabbit*
Rosenthal, Amy Krouse. *Cookies: Bite-Size
Life Lessons*
Schaefer, Lola M. *An Island Grows*
Scieszka, Jon. *Cowboy and Octopus*
Sendak, Maurice. *Where the Wild Things Are*
Seuss, Dr. *The Cat in the Hat*
Silverstein, Shel. *A Giraffe and a Half*
Slobodkina, Esphyr. *Caps for Sale*
Steig, William. *Sylvester and the Magic Pebble*
Stevens, Janet. *Tops and Bottoms*
Taback, Simms. *Joseph Had a Little Overcoat*
Thomas, Shelley Moore. *Good Knight Series*

Viorst, Judith. *Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No
Good, Very Bad Day*
Willems, Mo. *Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus,
Knuffle Bunny: A Cautionary Tale, Today I Will Fly*
Williams, Margery. *The Velveteen Rabbit*
Wood, Audrey. *Alphabet Rescue, Alphabet
Adventure, Alphabet Mystery*
Yolen, Jane. *How do Dinosaurs Go to School?*



You do not need to limit your selections to these books...

In addition: consider reading

- Other books by the same authors
- Audio Books on tapes when traveling
- Fairy Tales such as: *Cinderella, Three Billy Goats Gruff, Grimm's Fairy Tales*
- Mother Goose Nursery Rhymes

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