



# Summer Reinforcement Work

1st Graders entering 2nd Grade

A letter from your future second grade teachers

Welcome to 2nd grade! We are so proud of all the hard work you have done in 1st grade. Since we do not want anyone to suffer from the “summer slide” (a regression in the learning process), here are a few activities we would like you to complete over the summer before you return to school. We absolutely LOVE learning so much we do not want it to stop over the summer. We hope you enjoy your time off this summer and we can’t wait to meet you in the fall!

## Math

Your first grader has been busy this year learning new math skills. Mastery of all these skills is extremely important in order to develop a solid math foundation. The second grade math program will further develop skills learned this year. Any time spent reinforcing these concepts this summer will be beneficial to your child. Each year builds upon the previous year’s skills.

Please print the copies attached. Your child will complete the packet and return to us in August. If your child has difficulty in any area, any additional support you give them is beneficial. There is a list of websites below for your convenience.

- [www.mathisfun.com](http://www.mathisfun.com) Select numbers then Math Trainer for adding and subtracting or select games and pick a game to play on the homescreen.
- [www.aplusmath.com](http://www.aplusmath.com) Go under “Flashcards” or “Game Room” on the left side of the screen to practice addition or subtraction.
- [www.mathplayground.com](http://www.mathplayground.com)
- [www.funbrain.com](http://www.funbrain.com)
- [www.fuelthebrain.com](http://www.fuelthebrain.com)
- [www.prodigy.com](http://www.prodigy.com) This is both a website and an app.



Non-electronic game: Take a deck of cards and remove the face cards. Aces are one. Divide the cards evenly among 2 players. Each player flips over a card. The first one to add or subtract the 2 numbers correctly wins the cards. After going through the pile of cards, the player with the most cards wins.

## Reading

St. Anthony Catholic School believes that summer reading is a valuable experience for all students and an important extension of our educational programs.

Therefore, students entering second grade must:

- Read 6 picture books and at least 1 chapter book. As we know all of our students are at different reading levels. If your child would prefer to read chapter books instead of picture books we ask that they read 3 chapter books.
- Students will take an AR test for the books they have read. If your child reads more than requested, they are encouraged to take AR quizzes on those books, but it is not required.

The Renaissance AR website is:

<https://global-zone05.renaissance-go.com/welcomeportal/65363>.

Your child's login information is located at the top of the page.

Students should be reading in their ZPD (Zone of Proximal Development) from their STAR Read taken in May. Any new students to the school should be reading on grade level or at their ability.

We have included a list of recommended reading books on the following page. We are very much looking forward to meeting each and every one of you next year and cannot wait to hear all about the many adventures you take this summer!

Love,  
Ms. Murphy & Mrs. Camporota



# Book Recommendations

## Fictional Chapter Books

- Princess Black Books
- Magic Tree House
- A to Z mystery books
- Judy Moody and Friends
- Owl Diaries
- Bad Guys series
- Tiny Humphrey series
- Ready Freddy series
- Henry & Mudge
- Horrible Harry series
- Black Lagoon series
- Junie B. Jones series
- Flat Stanley series
- Captain Awesome series
- Rainbow Magic series
- Geronimo Stilton series
- Amelia Bedelia series
- My Weird School series
- Critter Club series

## Non-fiction Books

- National Geographic Kids
- Magic School Bus series
- Who Would Win series
- Ordinary People Changed the World series
- Fly Guy Presents: series
- What If I Had...Animals series
- Discovering My World series
- If You Were a Kid Surviving series
- All Aboard Reading series
- Let's Read and Find Out Science series
- Scholastic Science Readers
- Who Was series
- What Was series

The books above are only recommended. We want your child to read books of interest to them. To check the ZPD range of any book, visit [www.arbookfind.com](http://www.arbookfind.com). We hope you have a wonderful summer.



