

June 2, 2010

Dear **Kindergarten** Parent:

Reading is the foundation of all learning. A child who can read well is more likely to be successful in school and in life. That is why we at the Greater Nanticoke Area School District are committed to the goal of ensuring that every child throughout the district becomes a good reader.

The first step to school success is to become a good reader. The summer months provide a great opportunity for children to spend time with books as well as to improve reading skills. This summer we are requiring students to read at least two books from the accompanying list. Dependent upon your child's grade level, your child will be required to complete an exercise for each of the two books read. The completed exercises will be collected by your child's homeroom teacher and will be due September 7, 2010. To save paper, we have copied the form on each side.

The work will be scored on a rubric as follows:

4=Advanced
3=Proficient
2=Basic
1=Below Basic
0=Non-legible

We shall average the two scores and add the points to the Reading grade on the report card for the first interval.

To help you find any of these books, this list has been forwarded to Barnes and Noble. Some of the books are available at the Mill Memorial Library, E. Main Street, Nanticoke. Please ask the library staff to direct you to these books.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your school's principal.

When children learn to love books, they learn to love learning. Thank you for all you do to support reading education in the Greater Nanticoke Area School District.

Sincerely,
Mary Ann Jarolen
Elementary Principal

SUMMER READING LIST

GRADE K

1. **50 Below Zero - Munsch, Robert N.,**
2. **Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day - Viorst, Judith**
3. **Alexander, Who's Not (Do You Hear Me? I mean It!) Going to Move - Viorst, Judith.**
4. **Andrew's Loose Tooth - Munsch, Robert N**
5. **Angela's Airplane - Munsch, Robert N**
6. **Arthur's Fire Drill - Brown, Marc Tolon**
7. **The Best Mouse Cookie - Numeroff, Laura Joffe.**
8. **Biscuit - Capucilli, Alyssa Satin,**
9. **Biscuit Visits the Big City - Capucilli, Alyssa Satin,**
10. **Biscuit Wants to Play - Capucilli, Alyssa Satin,**
11. **Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See? - Martin, Bill,**
12. **Caps for Sale: A Tale of a Peddler, Some Monkeys, and Their Monkey Business – Slobodkina, Esphyr**
13. **Chicka Chicka Boom Boom - Martin, Bill,**
14. **Corduroy - Freeman, Don,**
15. **Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus! - Willems, Mo.**
16. **If You Give a Mouse a Cookie - Numeroff, Laura Joffe.**
17. **If You Take a Mouse to the Movies - Numeroff, Laura Joffe.**
18. **Is Your Mama a Llama? - Guarino, Deborah**
19. **A Kiss for Little Bear - Minarik, Else Holmelund.**
20. **Mike Mulligan and His Steam Shovel - Burton, Virginia Lee,**
21. **Miss Bindergarten Gets Ready for Kindergarten - Slate, Joseph.**
22. **Miss Spider's Tea Party - Kirk, David,**
23. **The Snowy Day - Keats, Ezra Jack.**
24. **Tiny's Bath - Meister, Cari.**
25. **Where the Wild Things Are - Sendak, Maurice.**

KINDERGARTEN AND GRADE 1 Book Reports

Name: _____

Book Title: _____

Author: _____

Illustrator: _____

What is your favorite part?

Would you recommend this book to others? Yes No

Draw a picture of your favorite character from the story.

