

Dear Third Graders,

I am so excited to teach you next year! I know you worked so hard in second grade to grow as a reader. In order to keep building your reading stamina, I ask that you read almost everyday. I know this may sound like a lot, but if you find books that you really enjoy, time will fly!

There are two things you need to do this summer to get ready for third grade. First, read as much as you can! **Complete at least four boxes on the Summer Reading BINGO board** (they do not need to be in a row). Write down the books that you read. **Next, choose one of your favorite books you read over the summer to complete a summer book project on.** We will share our book projects at the beginning of school. Projects are due on

Friday, September 7th. I can't wait to hear about the wonderful books you read and see your fabulous projects!

I hope you have a fun summer!

Sincerely, Ms. Moore



Tips for finding a just right book:

- Talk to your friends about what they are reading
- Talk to previous third graders about the books they loved to read
- Find a chapter book that you enjoy reading aloud with your family every night
- Go to your local library and ask the librarian for suggestions
- Use the five finger rule

reading challenge

what is the coolest place you can read for 20 minutes over the summer?

Readers are everywhere! Read for 20 minutes in a place that you think is really cool. Have your mom or dad take a picture and send it to emoore@scmoq.org. When we get back to school, look for your picture and decide for yourself who read in the coolest place!

5 FINGER RULE

What To Do: Pick a book. Open the book to any page. Put one finger up for each word you don't know.

- 0-1 Too Easy
- 1-2 Perfect Choice
- 3-4 Give It A Try
- 5+ Too Hard



Name _____

Date _____

summer book project menu

Choose one book that you read over the summer. Create a visual book project of your choice. The book project will be due Friday, September 7th and will count as your child's first grade.

My book is...

Title _____

Author _____

GAME TIME!

Make a game for your book. It can be a card game, board game, or other game of your choice. Be sure to incorporate the characters and important parts of the book in your game.

LIGHTS, CAMERA, ACTION!

Pretend your book is going to be made into a movie. Create a movie poster to promote the movie. Write a paragraph to explain what movie will be about. Be sure to incorporate the characters and important parts of the book in your poster.

POSTER

Create a poster to persuade people to read your book. Be sure to incorporate the characters and important parts of the book in your poster.

TIMELINE

Use words and pictures to make a timeline of important events in the book. Create your timeline on a large poster. Be sure to incorporate the characters and important parts of the book in your timeline.

COMIC STRIP

Turn your book into a comic! Draw the comic strip on a large poster. Be sure to incorporate the characters and important parts of the book in your comic strip.

TIME CAPSULE

Put together a time capsule for the book that will be opened in 200 years. Collect items that represent the book and put them in a box. Write a list explaining the objects and why you included them. Be sure to incorporate the characters and important parts of the book in your time capsule.

summer book project rubric

Use this rubric to help you create your visual book project. Grade yourself before you turn in the project.

Criteria	My Score	Teacher's Score
1) The project has my name, the title of the book, and the author.	___/3	___/3
2) I completed all parts of the choice.	___/10	___/10
3) My visual project shows the important parts of the book.	___/5	___/5
4) Spelling and Grammar – There are less than three spelling and grammar mistakes. I checked my work!	___/5	___/5
5) I took my time completing the project. This is my best work!	___/5	___/5
6) I turned the project in on time. I brought it to school on Friday, September 7, 2018.	___/2	___/2
Total Points	___/30 points	___/ 30 points
Teacher Comments:		

