

First Grade Summer Reading Project

Let's Kick off Summer Reading with a Mo Willems book!

This summer the first grade teachers would like to have all the incoming first graders read one fiction book by the author Mo Willems. His books are a favorite of beginning readers. Your child can read to you, or have the book read to them, depending on where they are in their reading development. The book you choose is your choice, but you need to pair it with one nonfiction book. For example, if you choose *My Friend is Sad*, then you would also read a nonfiction book about pigs or elephants. (The main fictional characters in *My Friend is Sad* is a pig and an elephant.

Summer Reading Assignment

1. Read a Mo Willems book of your choice. Have your child retell the story to you. Use the picture mural and draw pictures to show what happened first, next, then, and last in the story. Have your child try to label the pictures as well.
2. Choose a nonfiction book that relates to the fiction book in some way. There are many books in the nonfiction children's section of your local library to choose from. You would most likely read this to your child, but you do not have to read the entire book. You may just choose one or two chapters if it has a table of contents. Talk about how your child could illustrate this topic and write 1-3 fun facts about what you learned.

Please turn in the assignment on the second day of school. Thanks for your reading support!

Mrs. Fisher

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