



## Rising 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Summer Reading

Dear Rising 3<sup>rd</sup> Graders,

We hope you have a great summer filled with fun times and memories that you will share with us in August. It is important to keep your skills sharp over the next couple months, so you'll want to make sure you mix in some reading along with all of the fun. Don't forget, reading is fun! Here are some tips to ensure your summer reading is enjoyable.

1. Make a personal goal to read for at least 20 minutes per day or maybe even more. You'll be ready for that next book in no time!
2. Start a book club with mom, dad, siblings or friends. Book clubs can even be long distance with cousins or grandparents who live out of town. Just decide on a book to read at the same time and then either discuss it along the way or after you're all done.
3. Read outside, by the pool or beach, at the park or wherever you are this summer. Curling up with a good book is the perfect rainy day activity.
4. Read aloud to mom or dad and then let them read to you. Stop and talk about what you're reading and hearing.
5. Have a family DEAR time each day – Drop Everything and Read!
6. Visit your local public library, join their summer reading program and earn prizes or help the library donate books to a local agency serving children in need. All you have to do is read!

For your summer reading assignment, you are required to read *Lost in Peter's Tomb* by Dianne Ahern. We will discuss the novel during the first few weeks back at school. In addition to reading the novel, you are also required to complete one of the activities listed below.

1. **Interview with a character:** Interview a character from your book. The Interview must have 10 open ended questions. You will then answer each question as though you are the character responding to the questions.
2. **Book Reviews:** Complete a book review for your book. A book review should give a summary of the book, including important events, character descriptions, the conflict/resolution, and any other important information. You will also need to tell if you liked the book and if you would recommend it to someone else.
3. **Create a comic strip:** Show the entire plot in a creative way. This should include the beginning, middle and end; including important events, character descriptions, the conflict, the resolution, and any other important information. It should be a combination of pictures and words.

We look forward to welcoming you to 3A and 3B in August. Have a great summer and happy reading!

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Teachers