

## **Rising First Grade Summer Assignments**

THIS SUMMER, CONCENTRATE ON THE 4 R'S:

## Rest, Relaxation, Recovery, and READING

Summer reading is a way to instill a lifelong commitment to literacy. While there is not an assigned list of books, we recommend reading consistently with your child over the summer. Reading at this age includes reading to your child, with your child, or your child reading independently.

As you make your book selections, please be sure they complement your child's interests and reading abilities. Continued reading practice is proven to help prevent summer loss—a documented phenomenon where children lose ground in critical skills due to lack of use. We encourage your rising first grader to read as often as possible to retain his or her reading aptitude from kindergarten.

If you are looking for suggestions, both the <u>Lexington Public Library</u> and the <u>American Library Association</u> have great lists. The local book stores offer various summer reading programs, as well as great book selections.

Have a great summer reading with your child!