



Dear Kindergarten Parents,

We are so glad God has called you to be a part of the Bethel Christian Academy family! We are happy to join you in the high calling of educating your child. Below we have listed a few things you could do over the summer with your child to set him up for a successful beginning to our year in kindergarten.

- Do simple exercises in following 3-step directions. For example: brush your teeth, put on your pajamas, and come down stairs. Then have your child repeat the directions back to you
- Make time to read to your child. After completing a story, ask questions such as "Who were the characters?" "What happened first, next, and last?" "What did you learn from the story?"
- Teach your child to tuck in shirts, button pants, and fasten belts. Begin to practice tying shoes.
- Review capital letters, lower-case letters, and letter sounds.
- Practice Sight Words (list attached)
- Listen to your child read daily.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact the school office during the summer. We are looking forward to meeting you and your child on the first day of school. Have a wonderful summer and we will see you in Kindergarten!!

Mrs. Roper
K-5 Teacher



KINDERGARTEN SUMMER READING

Students should read at least 20 books during the summer. This can be a combination of picture books and chapter books and parent and child reading. Your child should read aloud 10 minutes daily. Remember, **fluency is accomplished by practice!** A child should be a fluent reader by age nine.

Please record all reading on the "Reading Log" and send it with your child on or before Friday, August 9, 2019.

Here are some helpful hints for selecting your child's independent reading:

- *Dothan Houston Public Library houses a lot of books that are grouped by reading level. Your child should be reading books that are at or above kindergarten/1st grade reading level.
- *Books receiving awards, like the Newberry, Caldecott, and Odyssey, are good books to choose .
- *Check out books from the BCA Library Monday-Thursday from 9:00am-2:00pm during the summer.
- *If buying books online or bookstores check for reading level.

WHAT IS A READING LOG?

A Reading log is a sheet of paper which includes space for you to record book titles, book authors, reading dates, and a parent's initials. Parents are responsible for certifying that a book has been read by their child or to their child. After checking for comprehension, parents should initial the reading log, and make sure that all required information is complete.

<https://www.goodreads.com/list/tag/kindergarten>

Number Words

1. one

2. two

3. three

4. four

5. five

6. six

7. seven

8. eight

9. nine

10. ten

Color Words

red

blue

green

yellow

pink

purple

orange

brown

black

white

gray

SIGHT WORDS

1. about

2. by

3. and

4. an

5. am

6. are

7. all

8. be

9. but

10. a

11. at

12. as