

Dear Parents,

One of our goals at Bayou Academy is to assist your child in becoming a lifelong reader. The summer months provide the perfect opportunity to extend and enrich your child's reading experiences. This summer we are asking each student entering 1st grade to read or be read too at least 3 books with a 0.5 reading level or higher. We are not designating which books students read, because we want them to be able to find a book that interest them. After reading the book, write the title of the books below.

After the students have chosen a book, you can use arbookfind.com website to determine grade level, interest level and points for the book. If they book is not listed, then it is not an AR book and the student will not be able to take a test for that book.

The following tips will be helpful for summer reading:

- *Whenever possible, children should read at least 10 minutes per day.
- *Read aloud to your children, even if they want to read independently.
- *Read outside.
- *Set aside a portion of the day as DEAR time-Drop Everything And Read.
- *Encourage your child to read magazines, newspapers, even the back of a cereal box!
- *Ask questions about what they are reading: who, what, when, where, why and how.
- *Review comprehension, vocabulary and listening skills when reading aloud.

Thank you and happy reading
Keith Aycock

Book 1 Title: _____

Book 2 Title: _____

Book3 Title: _____