St. Rita School

First Grade Summer Reading

2024-2025

Dear Parents,

Your child will be entering first grade this September. This is the exciting year that he/she will become a new reader. In preparation for this remarkable event there is a way you can help your child become reading ready! *Read, read, and read!*

Here are some specific ways to help:

- 1. Handle a book using "concepts of print" such as going through from left to right, front to back.
- 2. Recognize common sight words such as "is" or "the" and more.
- 3. Draw a picture and write simple "sound-spelled" words that tell about it.
- 4. Name and label objects
- 5. Say and write all of the letters of the alphabet using the correct formation and pencil holding and know all of their sounds.
- 6. Have your child write his/her own name correctly.
- 7. Get involved with your Public Library this summer.

We hope you find this information helpful in preparing your child for their First Grade experience. We look forward to meeting and working with you and your child this fall!

Happy summer!

First Grade Teachers