

Dear Family,

Reading is an important part of everyday life. Just because it's summer, students shouldn't put their books away! Brockton Public Schools invite you and your family to participate in our Summer Reading Program. This year's theme is "Don't Stop Reading."

The importance of summer reading cannot be over emphasized. Educational researchers note that some children's reading levels dropped as much as two grades when students did not read regularly over the summer months. It's really simple: the more students read, the better readers they become. Though only one book is required for summer reading, we hope that your child reads many more. Your support is a critical part of the Summer Reading Program.

Students entering grades 1 and 2 are required to read at least **one** book from the Massachusetts Curriculum Framework Recommended Authors List, the Optional Titles List or students may also choose to read a book of their choice. As a parent or guardian, you may choose a book to read together.

Students will list books they have read on the Reading Log and complete a Reading Response Form for any one book. Extra forms will be available at all branches of the Brockton Public Library and on the Brockton Public Schools' website: www.bpsma.org

In September, students will have conversations centering on their summer reading. Students will return Reading Logs and Reading Response forms to school and participate in school celebrations planned at each building.

We hope you and your family "don't stop reading" this summer and reap all of the wonderful benefits that reading has to offer.

Sincerely,

Matthew H. Malone Ph.D.
Superintendent of Schools

Brockton Public Library Summer Schedule

PLEASE CONTACT YOUR LOCAL
LIBRARY FOR SUMMER HOURS OF
OPERATION OR CHECK ONLINE AT

www.brocktonpubliclibrary.org

Main Library

304 Main Street
508.580.7890

East Branch

54 Kingman Street
508.580.7892

West Branch

540 Forest Avenue
508.580.7894

Brockton Public Schools

Summer Reading Program

"Don't Stop Reading"

2010



**Program Guide for
Students Entering
Grades One & Two**

**Summer Reading Program 2010
Brockton Public Schools**

**Recommended Authors & Illustrators
from the
Massachusetts Curriculum Framework**

Mitsumasa Anno
Edward Ardizzone
Molly Bang
Ludwig Bemelmens
Jan Brett
Norman Bridwell
Margaret Wise Brown
Ashley Bryan
John Birmingham
Virginia Lee Burton
Randolph Caldecott
Eric Carle
Tomie dePaola
Edgar Parin & Ingri D'Aulaire
Wanda Gág
Theodore Geisel (Dr. Seuss)
Kate Greenaway
Shirley Hughes
Crockett Johnson
Ruth Kraus
Robert Lawson
Munro Leaf
Robert McCloskey
A. A. Milne
William Pène du Bois
Jerry Pinkney
Patricia Polacco
Beatrix Potter
Alice and Martin Provensen
H. A. and Margaret Rey
Maurice Sendak
Marcia Sewall
Vera Williams
Margot & Harve Zemach



**Grade One
Optional Titles**

And I Can Read Series
Harper Trophy Co.

Hello Reader! Series
Scholastic Books

Step Into Reading Series
Scholastic Books

Ready to Read Series
Aladdin Paperbacks

**Grade Two
Optional Titles**

Amelia Bedelia Series
Peggy Parish

Frog and Toad Series
Arnold Lobel

George and Martha
James Marshall

Or

A book of your choice!

Recommended websites for parents:

Scholastic Parent Website
<http://www2.scholastic.com/browse/parentsHome.jsp>

U.S. Dept. of Education – Reading Tips for Parents
www.ed.gov/parents/read/resources/readingtips/index.html