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Dear Parents:

Children learn to read by reading and to write by writing. Through a planned summer reading and writing program, children can strengthen basic skills and expand interests. We are therefore sending you this summer reading list and a recommended writing assignment.

The reading assignment for incoming Grades 2, 3 and 4 is to read *three* (3) books from the attached lists. Please fill out the reading record form indicating the titles and authors and hand it in to your General Studies teacher on the first day of school, September 3, 2009.

The writing assignment, which is for grades 2-4 consists of keeping a daily journal or diary of thoughts or activities. These entries can be in English or in Hebrew. Bring the journal to school in September and give it to your teacher. Certificates will be presented in September to students who participate in this activity. In addition, have your child send us a postcard when on vacation and we'll include it in a display.

Copies of the lists and forms are available on the web by clicking the Back to School page, or you can use these links

We agree that summer is a time for relaxation and children should not be overburdened with work. Hopefully, reading and writing will become a part of that relaxation.
Have a pleasant summer!

Very truly yours,

Mrs. Nina Wand
Lower School Principal

**BETH TFILOH COMMUNITY SCHOOL
SUMMER READING LIST
INCOMING SECOND GRADE
2009**

Abbott, Roger	Sniffer's Golden Nose
Adler, David A.	A Picture Book of Amelia Earhart A Picture Book of Jackie Robinson
Adler, David A.	'Young Cam Jansen' series (any title)
Arnold, Ted	Any title in the "Fly Guy" Series
Branley, Franklyn M.	What the Moon is Like
Brown, Marc	Any title in the 'Arthur' series
Buckley, James	Let's Go to the Ballpark
Byars, Betsy	Golly Sisters go West
Danziger, Paula	Get Ready For Second Grade Amber Brown
Guest, Elissa Haden	Iris and Walter and Cousin Howie
Gutman, Dan	Babe Ruth and the Ice Cream Mess
Guest, Elissa Haden	Iris and Walter and the Substitute Teacher
Hopkinson, Deborah	Saving Strawberry Farm
Howe, James	Houndsley and Catina (any in the series)
Kenah, Katherine	The Best Teacher in Second Grade
Lakin, Patricia	Harry Houdini Escape Artist
London, Jonathan	Froggy Plays Soccer
Lobel, Arnold	Frog and Toad are Friends
McLeese, Don	Albert Einstein
Marshall, James	Fox Outfoxed
Minarik, Else	A Kiss for Little Bear
Nolen, Jerdine	Max and Jax in Second Grade
Pfeffer, Wendy	Dolphin Talk...
Polacco, Patricia	Mrs. Katz and Tush*
Rockwell, Anne	Who Lives in an Alligator Hole?
Rylant, Cynthia	'Henry and Mudge' series (any title) The High-Rise Private Eyes series (any title)
Schwartz, Amy	Mrs. Moskowitz and the Sabbath candlesticks*
Sharmat, Marjorie	Nate the Great Series (any title)
Silverman, Erica	Cowgirl Kate and Cocoa
Singer, Isaac B.	Why Noah Chose the Dove *
Van Leeuwen, Jean	Amanda Pig and the Really Hot Day.
Willems, Mo	There is a bird on your head
Zoehfeld, Kathleen W.	Terrible Tyrannosaurs
Following Series are also recommended.	I can Read Bank Street Read to Read Step into Reading

* Denotes books of Jewish interest

**BETH TFILOH COMMUNITY SCHOOL
OPTIONAL ENRICHED SUMMER READING
INCOMING SECOND GRADE
2009**

Adler, David	Cam Jansen and the Tennis Trophy Mystery
Adler, David	A Picture Book of Helen Keller A Picture Book of Jackie Robinson
Baker, Keith	On the Go with Mr. And Mrs. Green
Berenstain, Jan	"Big Chapter" Series (any title)
Bliss, Doreen	Diary of a Worm
Branley, Franklyn M	The International Space Station
Christopher, Matt	The Spy on Third Base
Cannon, A.E.	Way Out West with Pirate Pete and Pirate Joe
Cole, Joanna and Degen, Bruce	"The Magic School Bus" Series (any title)
Danziger, Paula	Second Grade Rules, Amber Brown
Davis, Aubrey	Bagels for Benny *
DiCamillo, Kate	Any in the "Mercy Watson" series
Duey, Kathleen	The Unicorn's Secret: Moonsilver
Giff, Patricia	'Kids of Polk Street School' series (any title)
Greenburg, Dan	Me and My Mummy (or any in the series)
Greenburg, J.C.	Andrew lost with the dinosaurs (or any in series)
Guest, Elissa	Iris and Walter : The Sleepover
Hurwitz, Joanna	"E" is for Elisa Russell Sprouts
Klein, Abby	Ready Freddy: Yikes! Bikes! (or any in the series)
Krulik, Nancy	Doggone it!
Lakin, Patricia	Albert Einstein: Genius of the Twentieth Century
McDonald, Megan	Judy Moody Saves the World!
McMullan Kate	Pearl and Wagner (any in the series)
Park, Barbara	Junie B. Jones Series (any title)
Pinkney, Jerry	Noah's Ark *
Sachar, Louis	Marvin Redpost series(any title)
Silverman, Erica	Raisel's Riddle*
Stilton, Geronimo	Any title in the series
Simon, Seymour	Incredible Sharks
Simon, Francesca	Horrid Henry (any title in the series)
Stone, Rex	Attack of the Tyrannosaurus (or any in the series)
Tatham, Betty	Penguin Chick
Torrey, Richard	Beans Baker's Best Shot
Tripp, Valerie	Good Sport Gwen
Suggested Series:	The Secrets of Droon
	Bank Street Ready-to-Read Series (Level 2-3) The Magic Tree House Series
	Dorling Kindersley Eyewitness Readers (excellent series of non fiction books, in four reading levels)

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BETH TFILOH COMMUNITY SCHOOL
SUMMER 2009
READING RECORD
GRADES 2-4

Please list below the books you read this summer. You are expected to read at least three books from the suggested list.

TITLE

AUTHOR



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OPTIONAL: If you read even more this summer, list the titles and authors:

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Student's Signature _____

Parent's Signature _____

**RETURN THIS COMPLETED FORM TO YOUR NEW TEACHER ON
THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL, SEPTEMBER 3, 2009.**