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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 THIRD GRADE
2009**

Abbott, Tony	Secrets of Droon (any title in the series)
Adler, David A.	Cam Jansen Mysteries (any title in series)
Ackerman, Karen	The Night Crossing *
Barrows, Annie	Ivy and Bean (or any in the series)
Blumberg, Margie	Avram's gift
Blume, Judy	Cool Zone with the Pain and the Great One
Christopher, Matt	Any title
Cleary, Beverly	Muggy Maggie or Ramona the Pest
Colfer, Eoin	The Legend of Spud Murphy
Danziger, Paula	Amber Brown is not a Crayon
Di Terlizzi, Toni	The Spiderwick Chronicles (any in series)
Duey, Kathleen	The Unicorn's Secret: Moonsilver
Friedman, Laurie	Back to School with Mallory
Greene, Stephanie	Owen Foote, Mighty Scientist
Giff, Patricia	"Ballet Slippers" Series (any title)
Greenburg, Dan	"The Zack Files" (any title in the series)
Greenburg, Dan	Dude, Where's my Spaceship?
Griffith, Helen V.	Dinosaur Habitat
Hurwitz, Johanna	School's Out
Kelly, Katy	Lucy Rose: Big on Plans
Kline, Suzy	Horrible Harry Moves up to Third Grade
Krulik, Nancy	Katie Kazoo, Switcheroo (any title)
Lasky, Kathryn	Marvin of the Great North Woods *
Mazer, Anne	The Amazing Days of Abby Hayes (any)
McCully, Emily A.	Beautiful Warrior
McDonald, Megan	Judy Moody around the world or Stink the Incredible Shrinking Kid
McMullan, Kate	Dragon Slayers' Academy (any in series)
Mills, Claudia	7 x 9 = Trouble
Osborne, Mary Pope	Magic Tree House Series (any title)
Pennypacker, Sara	Stuart's Cape
Preller, James	Jig Saw Jones Mysteries (any title)
Pushker, Gloria T.	Toby Belfer visits Ellis Island*
Rodda, Emily	Fairy Realm (any in the series)

Roy, Ron	A to Z Mysteries (any in title in the series)
Rupp, Rebecca	The Dragon of Lonely Island
Sachar, Louis	Marvin Redpost (any title in the series)
Schwartz, Howard	The Sabbath Lion *
Scieszka, Jon	Summer Reading is Killing Me (or any in the Time Warp series)
Simon, Francesca	Horrid Henry (any title in the series)
Sobol, Donald	Any title in the Encyclopedia Brown series
Simms, Taback	Kibbitzers and Fools *
Stilton, Geronimo	Lost Treasure of the Emerald Eye or any in the series
Trine, Greg	The Curse of the Bologna Sandwich (or any in the series)
Warner, Gertrude C.	Any title from the Boxcar Children Series
NON-Fiction:	
Adler, David A.	Lou Gehrig: the Luckiest Man or America's Champion Swimmer: Gertrude Ederle
Brown, Don	Odd Boy Out: Young Albert Einstein*
Ehrlich, Amy	The Story of Rachel Carson
Giovanni, Nikki	Rosa
Harness, Cheryl	Young Abe Lincoln
Hatkoff, Isabella	Owen and Mzee
Jurmain, Suzanne	George Did It
Krull, Katherine	Houdini: World's Greatest Mystery Man
Lasky, Katherine	The Man Who Made Time Travel
McDonough, Yona	Hammerin' Hank (Hank Greenberg)*
Magloff, Lisa	Volcano
Markel, Michelle	Dreamer from the Village: Marc Chagall*
Mochizuki, Ken	Passage to Freedom *
Oberman, Sheldon	The Always Prayer Shawl*
Schanzer, Rosalyn	How Ben Franklin Stole the Lightning
Ripken, Cal Jr.	Cal Ripken Jr. Play Ball!
Winters Jonah	You Never heard of Sandy Koufax?!
Yamaguchi, Kristy	Always Dream
DK Eyewitness Readers	Reading Levels 2-4

*** Denotes books of Jewish interest**

**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



1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

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

4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____

Student's Signature _____

Parent's Signature _____

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