

Dear Parents,

Your child has learned so much this year in first grade. The students have become great readers and we want to continue to encourage them to read this summer.

We will be having a summer reading program. Each child will choose at least three books from the following author list to read and keep a reading log. They will do one large project. We will all be doing a character report. Have your child choose a main character from one of the stories he/she reads. Fill out the *Main Characters* form. Use this form to create book report about your main character. You will also create the art project of your character (see attached example and directions). They will return all items to Mrs. Strain on Thursday, August 27th. We will be having a character tea party that morning after pledge. Each student will dress as the character they have selected and share their reports with the class. Parents are invited to join us.

Students are required to complete the project, reading log, and parent verification form. The project will be graded based on the attached rubric and averaged into their reading grade. Neatness does count!

Have a great summer break and I'll see you in August!

Mrs. Strain