

Southland Academy

Summer Reading Assignments

Grade 2

Your child must complete the reading assignments and complete the assigned project for his/her grade *next school year 2026-2027.*

Rising 2nd Grade:

Give Up, Gecko! by Margaret Read MacDonald; It's been a long dry spell, and the animals are thirsty. There's rain in sight, so they decide to dig for water and to proclaim the one who finds it chief. How shall they dig? With tusks or horns? Not everyone has those, so they decide that everyone will STOMP because everyone has feet (except for snake, of course).

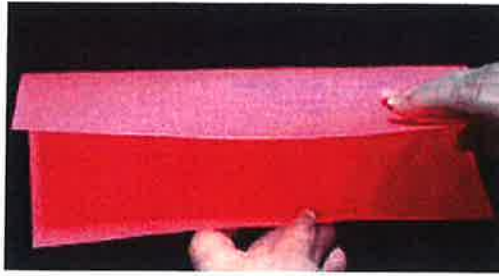
Edward the Emu: by Sheena Knowles, Rod Clement; Poor Edward. He doesn't think he gets any attention at the zoo, so he decides to become a different animal. But after each day, a tourist comes along and mentions that the next animal is better until Edward decides being an emu isn't that bad.

Each student will take AR Tests for both books.

**Project: Flip Flap from either one of the books.
(due August 14th)**

**Instructions are included.
Flip Flap Book Directions, 2nd Grade**

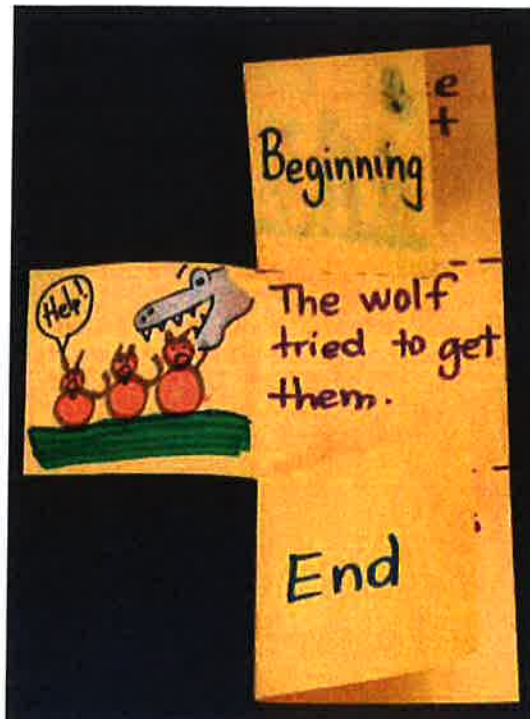
1. Fold paper in half and make a crease.



2. Cut 3 slits on one side of the folded paper.



3. Write the words "beginning," "middle" and "end" on the top of each flap. Under each of the flaps, illustrate the beginning, middle and end of the story.



Remember to put your NAME on your Flip Flap Book and bring it to your class on August 14th.

SUMMER MATH

Congratulations Parents, you now have a Second Grader!! I know you and your children are ready for some rest and relaxation. Since your children are growing and facing new challenges each year, I want to take up a small amount of your time this summer. The skills taught in second grade math can be difficult and fact fluency is the foundation for most of them. Continuous practice can make a tremendous difference in reducing their frustration level. We have access to a free online program called Xtra Math. The program allows students to begin practicing basic addition facts, then subtraction, followed by multiplication. Here are the details:

- Follow the directions on the enrollment information sheet to log your child on to Xtra Math. They will complete a short placement quiz.
- Log on to Xtra Math a couple of times each week to complete a practice session - it only takes 5 minutes!
- Use the attached Summer Math Tracker to mark each time your child logs on.
- If your child brings back his/her tracker on the first day of school with 2 log-ins per week for 8 weeks they will receive a math grade of **100** to start off the year. I will receive a report from Xtra Math each week showing your child's progress, so make sure you log in using the information I have given you.
- FINALLY, your child will take a timed addition test during the first week of school with 20 facts in 4 minutes.

Please feel free to email me at lrooks@southlandacademy.org or swhittle@southlandacademy.org if you have any difficulties with the program.

Have a great summer!!

Mrs. Laura and Ms. Whittle



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MY SUMMER MATH TRACKER

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