

SCBCS 2022 Summer Reading: Rising Kindergarten

The best way to help your child learn to read is by example! Read to your child every chance you get! Read with excitement, funny voices, and enthusiasm. This will instill a love for reading as well as a motivation to read for your child. Here are some suggestions to make reading a wonderful time in your home.

- Choose books that interest your child
- Let them hear the same book over and over
- Let your child tell the story in their own words
- Make reading nightly a warm, fun, time for all
- Visit the library and let your child choose books to check out
- Don't force your child to sound out the word, just read it!
- Encourage your child to make up their own stories
- Ask questions about the book. What's your favorite part? Why?
- Rhyme! Make up silly words that rhyme together
- Make sure to look carefully and discuss the illustrations- pictures tell the story

Suggested Reading

Dr. Seuss books
Mother Goose rhymes
ABC books with great illustrations
Number books
Stories with repetitive text or predictive text
Picture books of any kind keeping child's interests in mind

Some of our favorites:

Goodnight Moon by Margaret Wise Brown
Brown Bear, Brown Bear What Do You See by Bill Martin Jr.
Chicka Chicka Boom Boom by Bill Martin Jr.
Tikki Tikki Tembo by Arlene Mosel
The Very Hungry Caterpillar by Eric Carle
The Very Busy Spider by Eric Carle
Mighty Mighty Construction Site by Sherri Duskey Rinker & Tom
Lichtenheld
Stream Train, Dream Train by Duskey and Lichtenheld
If You Give a Mouse a Cookie by Laura Numeroff
Mrs. Bindergarten Gets Ready for Kindergarten by Joseph Slate

These are just a few recommendations. Your local library will be more than happy to help. Whatever you choose, remember to have fun and your child will not only want to read, they will cherish this time forever.