

**HICKORY VALLEY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL**  
**2009 SUMMER READING LIST FOR RISING FIRST GRADERS**

Please read books to your child throughout the summer. This is one of the biggest factors in nurturing strong future readers. Listed below are some of the authors of children's fiction books. When school begins, please send in a reading list of 15 books read independently or together. In addition, please complete the 3 reading projects listed below.

- Any book by Norman Birdwell
- Any book by Dr. Seuss
- Any book by Syd Hoff
- Any book by Eric Carle
- Any book by Leon Lionni
- Any book by Audrey Wook
- Any book by Mercer Mayer
- Any book by Arnold Lobel
- Any Little Bear book by Else H. Minarik
- Any Biscuit book by Alyssa Capucilli
- Any book by Laura Numeroff
- Any Caldecott Medal book
- Any Tiny the Dog books
- Any Puppy Mudge books
- Mother Goose Rhymes, Fairy Tales, Aesop's Fables, and poetry
- "I Can Read" series, Level 1
- "Easy to Read" series, Level 1
- "Ready to Read" series, Level 1

Please complete 3 of the following reading projects based upon three separate books read this summer.

1. Design a bookmark based on your favorite character in a story.
2. Sequence the beginning, middle, and ending of a story using drawings.
3. Create a diorama of a scene from one of the books read or read to.
4. Design a new book cover for a book.
5. Complete a book report form.

**ALL projects are due the first full week of school, August 24-28. We will have fun sharing our books with one another during reading class.**

