

## **Incoming Kindergarten**

Reading to your child is the best way to prepare them for kindergarten. There are many wonderful books to choose from. We encourage you to explore your local libraries and discover as many rich and beautiful books as possible. Books with rhymes and rhythms are especially important in building early literacy skills. Rich descriptive language encourages word play and builds a child's vocabulary. Young children delight in nursery rhymes and silly songs that they can listen to and recite over and over again. We ask that you please make time to share a collection of

### ***Mother Goose Rhymes***

The rhymes and rhythms of Mother Goose are available in many books. They are perfect for pre-schoolers getting ready for Kindergarten.

**Alphabet Books** are another appropriate and wonderful sort of book to look at with your child this summer.

We also recommend the following children's poets:

**Shel Silverstein**

**Myra Cohn Livingston**

**Jack Prelutsky**

We hope that you will find time to read with your child every day. Discovering new books with your child can be a delicious treat for both of you. All of the warm feelings associated with reading will encourage your child in their efforts to become readers.

### **Favorite Authors for Kindergarten Students:**

**Jan Brett**

**Eric Carle**

**Tomie dePaola**

**Denise Fleming**

**Bill Grossman**

**Kevin Henkes**

**Leo Lionni**

**James Marshall**

**Bill Martin**

**Mercer Mayer**

**David McPhail**

**A.A. Milne**

**Laura Numeroff**

**David Shannon**

**Joseph Slate**

**Peter Spier**

**William Steig**

**Rosemary Wells**

**Audrey & Don Wood**

