

Brandon Academy Summer Reading and Math Practice



Second Grade

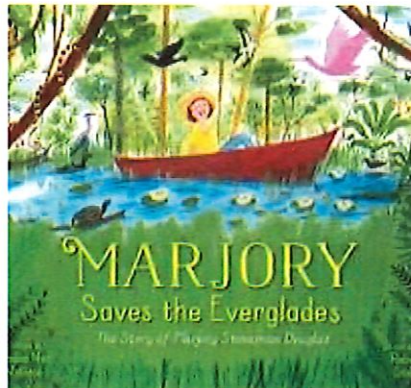
“You can find magic wherever you look. Sit back and relax, all you need is a book!”

– Dr. Seuss

This year the theme for the Brandon Academy Summer Reading is “Florida and Florida Authors.” When the students return to school in August, the first three days will have activities relating to the book and the theme, “Florida and Florida Authors.”

- The second grade required book to be read is ***Marjory Saves the Everglades: The Story of Marjory Stoneman Douglas*** by Sandra Nell Wallace
- Complete the following attached activities about the book:
 - The Bird Count activity
 - My Fine Feathered Friend activity
 - My Nature Notebook

- The second reading assignment is to have your child read one book from the attached **SSYRA Junior Reading List**.
- Fill out the attached form with the title of the book read, have your child draw a picture and write a sentence of his/her favorite part of the book.



*Another great summer review resource is Summer Bridge Activities Workbooks available on Amazon for the transition from First Grade to Second Grade.

BIRD COUNT

There are tens of thousands of birds that call the Everglades home and the region is a critical stop over for birds migrating along the Atlantic flyway. Marjory Stoneman Douglas loved the birds of the Everglades. Saving the Everglades for the ibis, the wood stork, the egret, and all the birds that lived and stopped there became her life’s work.



How many birds can you count?

How many birds have pink in their coloring?

How many birds have black tips at the ends of their wings?

Draw a line connecting the birds that look alike.

MY FINE FEATHERED FRIEND

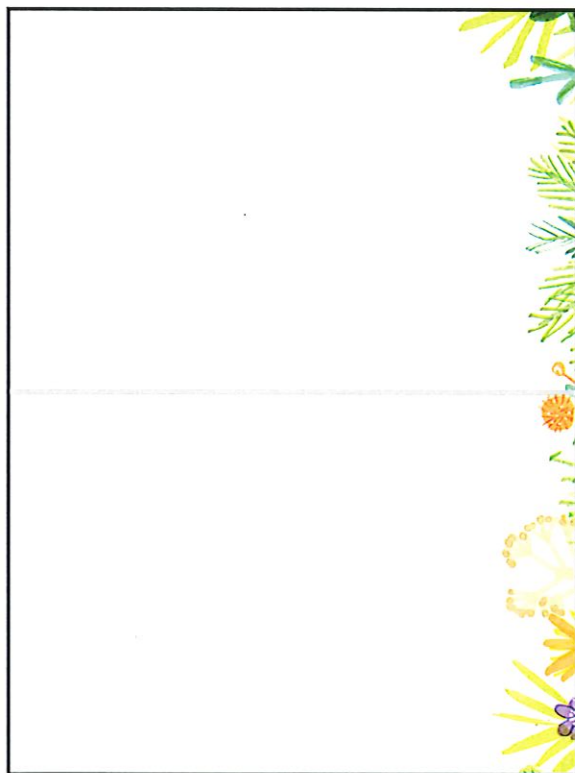
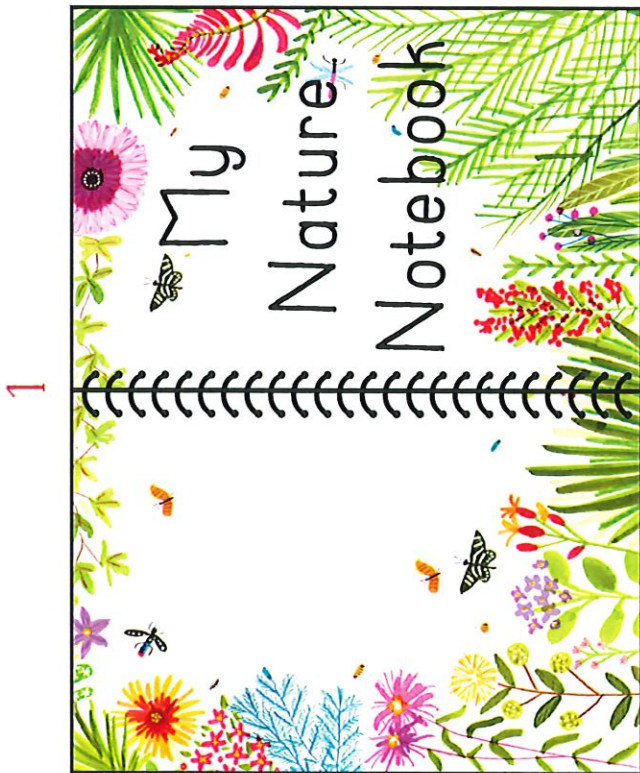


What type of bird is your favorite? The owl? The flamingo? The cardinal?
The wood stork? The heron? The white ibis? Draw a picture of your favorite bird.

My favorite bird is the _____.

MY NATURE NOTEBOOK

Marjory studied the animals, plants, and waterways of the Everglades to learn more about them. In this mini notebook, draw pictures and make notes about the animals and plants in your neighborhood.



Cut out the rectangles and stack the pages in order with the cover on top. Staple along the center to bind the pages together. Fold along the staple line to create your mini notebook.

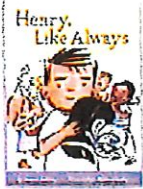


SSYRA Jr. 2024-2025 Annotated List



Mr. S: A First Day of School Book written and illustrated by Monica Arnaldo

Prepare for plenty of giggles as a kindergarten class arrives for their first day of school, but can't find their teacher--only a delicious-looking sandwich and the words "Mr. S" scribbled on the chalkboard. Chaos ensues as the kids argue whether or not the sandwich must be their teacher.



Henry Like Always written by Jenn Bailey and illustrated by Mika Song

Henry likes Classroom Ten. He likes how it is always the same. But this week, Henry's class will have a parade, and a parade means having Share Time on the *wrong day*. A parade means playing instruments that are *too loud*. A parade means this week is *not* like always.



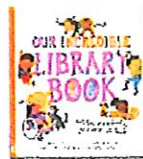
The Greatest in the World written and illustrated by Ben Clanton

Rot is a mutant potato who wakes up feeling *great*, maybe even...the greatest in the world! But that only makes Rot's brother Snot the *grumpiest* in the world. The only solution? An epic contest to prove who is the greatest once and for all, judged by the only impartial party they can find--their small fry little sister, Tot.



Evergreen written and illustrated by Matthew Cordell

Evergreen the squirrel is afraid of many things: thunder, hawks, and the dark paths of Buckthorn Forest. But when her mother tasks Evergreen with delivering soup to her sick Granny Oak, the little squirrel must face her fears and make the journey.



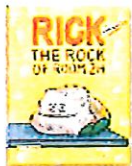
Our Incredible Library Book written by Caroline Crowe and illustrated by John Joseph

This is the story of one incredible library book and all the children who've borrowed it. It's been hugged, lost, torn, chewed by a dog and soaked in the rain. It's been read in apartments and in tents, in the park and in the classroom; by children in costumes and pajamas, reading alone or with their friends, their siblings and their parents.



Carina Felina written by Carmen Deedy and illustrated by Henry Cole

Carina Felina is an arrogant cat with an appetite so huge that she eats everything and everyone who crosses her path as she ambles through Havana--until a small crab outsmarts her and saves the day.



Rick the Rock of Room 214 written by Julie Falatko and illustrated by Ruth Chan

Tired of sitting all day on the Nature Finds shelf in Room 214, a rock named Rick escapes the classroom for the great outdoors, only to discover that sometimes the greatest adventure in life is friendship.



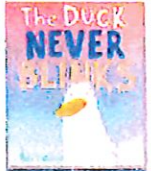
My Pet Feet written by Josh Funk and illustrated by Billy Yong

After awakening to find that his pet ferret is now pet feet, a budding detective discovers that the letter "R" has disappeared and its absence is causing chaos throughout his town.



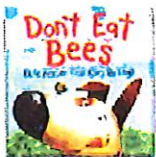
Got Your Nose written by Alan Katz and illustrated by Alex Willan

When Grandpa Max plays his favorite prank on Becky, he accidentally takes her nose for real, and the two must chase Becky's nose all over town to get it back.



The Duck Never Blinks written and illustrated by Alex Latimer

Can you make a duck blink? Probably not. But you can try, in this irreverent and hilarious staring contest between you and a duck that never, ever blinks.



Don't Eat Bees: Life Lessons from Chip the Dog written by Dev Petty and illustrated by Mike Boldt

Chip the dog shares the wisdom of his seven fruitful years of eating things he shouldn't.



Awesome Orange Birthday written by Mitali Ruths and illustrated by Aailya Jaleel

Priya Chakraborty plans a birthday party for her first client, Layla Aunty, personalizing everything from the invitations to the menu in Aunty's favorite color, but as party-time finally arrives, Priya is nervous something will go wrong.



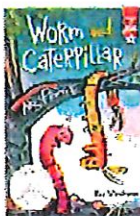
We Are Going to Be Pals written and illustrated by Mark Teague

A talkative cattle egret explains to a rhinoceros that in addition to having a symbiotic relationship, they also have a friendship built on communication, kindness, and a respect for boundaries.



Out of the Blue written by Robert Tregoning and illustrated by Stef Murphy

In a world where only the color blue is allowed, a young boy and his father dare to defy the rules and create a place where every hue is welcome.



Worm and Caterpillar are Friends written and illustrated by Kaz Windness

A worm and a caterpillar are best friends and when one of them is about to go through a big change, they both learn what is inside is what counts.

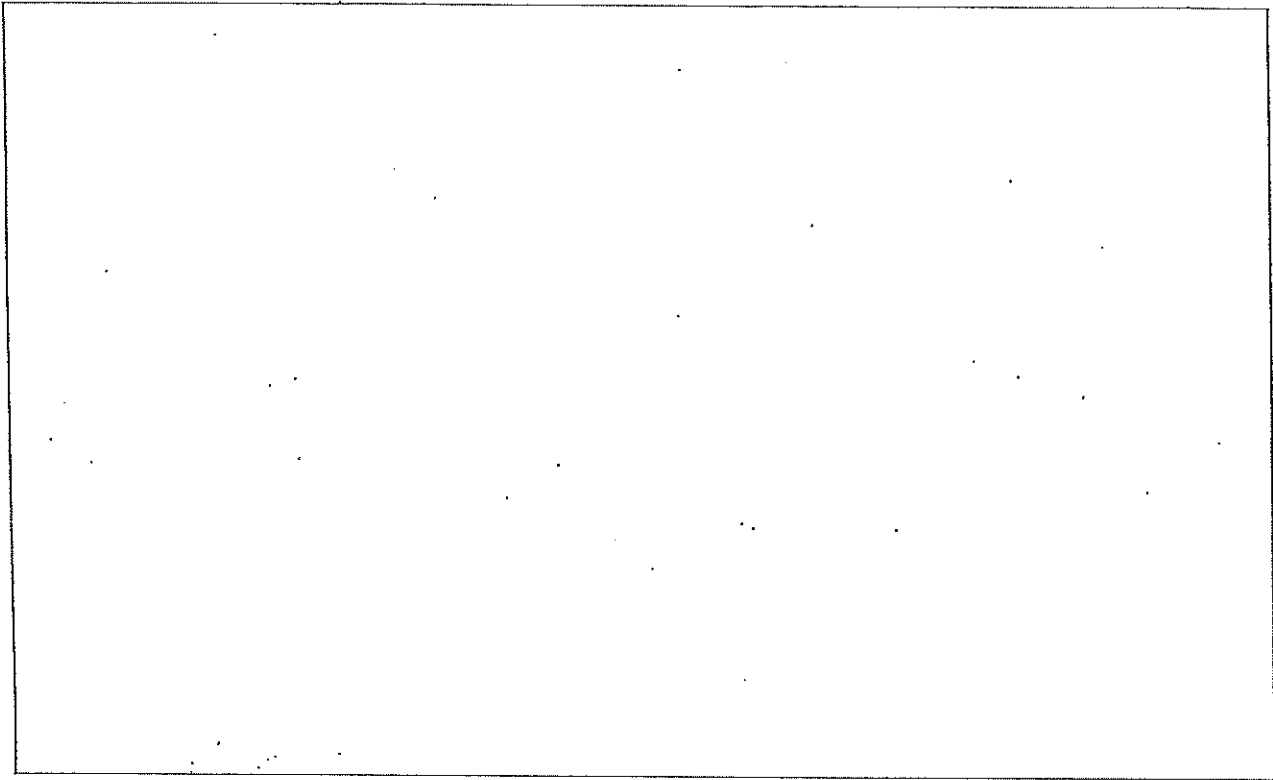


Name: _____

Grade: _____

Title of Book: _____

Draw a picture and write a sentence about your favorite part of the book.



Brandon Academy Summer Math

2nd Grade Recommendations

Below is a list of apps and websites that will help your child practice math skills to be ready for the second grade.

Apps:



Reflex Math

Students should earn 3 green dots per week on Reflex to help build fact fluency.



Prodigy Math

Prodigy is a great app that students enjoy using. It is adaptive and builds on a variety of math skill.



Sushi Monster

Sushi Monster is a fun addition and subtraction game.

Websites:

- ixl.com covers all topics with virtual practice questions.
- [Khan Academy](https://www.khanacademy.com) and [LearnZillion](https://www.learnzillion.com) have great videos to reteach concepts.

Other Resources:

- [Flash Cards](#)- Addition/ Subtraction flash cards