

May 20, 2010

Dear Parents,

On Tuesday morning, representatives from the Baraboo Public Library came to St. Joe's and gave a presentation on their summer program. The program consists of a variety of fun activities planned for each week of the summer vacation. An informational sheet regarding the library's summer program is being sent home today in the "Home Envelope". Although schedules during the summer months tend to be a little more relaxed, it is important that skills acquired during this school year be maintained in order to ensure academic success next year in Third Grade. I recommend that you encourage your child to **READ, READ, READ** throughout the summer months. Reading consistently during the summer months will help your child to maintain his/her current reading skill level.

Speaking of reading, Mrs. Brinker is requesting that all library books that are currently "checked out" of our school library be returned to school by this Monday, May 24th, including A. R. books. The Second Graders may continue to read and test on A. R. books from our classroom library.

Next week, Spelling will consist of a review unit of previous lessons. **Tomorrow's Spelling Test will be the final one** of this school year.

In Math, we have completed the chapter on Measurement. This week, we started working on the concept of fractions and we will also be looking at the concept of probability in this chapter. **Yesterday's Minute Math exercise was the last one** for the school year.

This week's Memory Treasure verse was the last Memory Treasure for this school year.

Next week, the students will be bringing home items from their desks. Only a couple desk items will be sent home per day to alleviate a very heavy backpack on the last day of school.

This month, the Second Graders are enjoying the celebrations of our summer birthdays. We thank everybody who sent in tasty treats throughout this school year in celebration of your children's special days. We enjoyed them very much!

We also enjoyed the stories read to us throughout this school year by our Guest Readers. A very special thank you for taking time out of your busy schedules to share the joys of reading with us.

Sincerely,

Ann Jankoski