Hello Rising First Graders!

Mrs. Jorski and Mrs. Fowler are very excited to see you all in August, but first we want to have some fun with summer reading! There is an author who is very funny and has wonderful, silly books which make us laugh; his name is Mo Willems. Below are some of his books we would like YOU to read. Please have your parents help you choose two books you can read on your own. Once you have read them, your parents can read any of his other books to you, or you can read to them. 😊

Please read one of the following Pigeon books: (Click on the picture to go to Amazon.com)

- The Pigeon Needs a Bath
- The Pigeon Has Feelings, Too
- The Pigeon Loves Things that Go

Please choose one of the other following books: (Click on the picture to go to Amazon.com)

- Hooray for Amanda and Her Alligator
- Knuffle Bunny: A Cautionary Tale
- City Dog, Country Frog
- I Broke My Trunk
- The Cookie Fiasco
- I Will Take a Nap

Activities to complete:

1) Please make a pigeon, due by June 20th. We want you to make this by yourself. It can be made with construction paper, paper towel rolls, socks stuffed with cotton, wiggly eyes, felt, straws (for feet, maybe) – whatever else you think might be great to create your pigeon. Please send us a picture (efowler@academyatthelakes.org) with you and your pigeon; if you have named it, please tell us the name. Throughout the summer, take pictures and make a scrapbook of your adventures. You can have your pigeon right next to you; or, maybe it is hiding, and we can only see its head, tail, or feet. Maybe it always has a lemonade or another drink with him or her; maybe it wears a certain hat or pair of sunglasses in each picture. On the first day of school, please bring your scrapbook, and we will share it with your classmates.
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Activities to complete, continued:

2) Once you have read your two books, please create a chart. You can make this on a poster board or a large piece of construction paper. Please click here to look at attached sheet (#1) to complete this activity.

3) Just for fun – please click here to look at the attached “Letter to Mo Willems” sheet (#2) and complete this activity. We are looking forward to reading these letters to Mr. Willems.

If you or your parents have any questions, please email Mrs. Fowler at efowler@academyatthelakes.org.

Have a wonderful summer! Look out for that silly pigeon! 😊

Mrs. Jorski and Mrs. Fowler