



Dear Parents,

Hello and welcome to Holy Trinity Pre-K B's class. I am so very excited to be your child's teacher in the fall.

In these challenging times, the life of a parent is often hectic. With summer upon us, I hope it gives an opportunity for some fun and relaxation for you and your families.

Early exposure to language is the greatest factor in language development and learning to read. By reading together every day, you stimulate and strengthen your child's language and literacy skills. It is that simple. Try to read with your child at least once a day at a regularly scheduled time. Don't be discouraged if you skip a day or don't always keep to your schedule. Just read to your child as often as you possibly can. Spend some time talking about the pictures and asking questions about the story. Share different kinds of books. Read with expression and share favorite books repeatedly.

Here are two books that I recommend for summer reading. It is not necessary to purchase these books, please look for them at your local library.

1. **The Cow Loves Cookies** by Karma Wilson
2. **Just Ducks** by Nicola Davies

I will read these books to the students in the fall and will have in class activities related to the books.

Finally, play is equally important for your child to learn. Encourage play experiences this summer – especially away from screen time. Allow opportunities for your child to draw, build with blocks, create with play dough, ride a bike, take a walk, or pretend play. These experiences are especially important to healthy brain development.

I look forward to partnering with you to make it a fun and educational learning experience for your child.

Have a great summer and please stay safe!

