

Hello!

We hope everyone is having a great summer so far. As a reminder, in the midst of all the summer fun the students must remember how important it is to read as often as they can. Let's keep those brains sharp! Students should read their required book(s) and at least two additional books – preferably one fiction and one non-fiction. Hopefully, our scholars will read a few more than their required books. Have a wonderful summer – and read, read, read!

1. Ellray Jakes Stands Tall by Sally Warner and Brian Biggs

Eight-year old Ellray Jakes wants to hone his basketball skills to earn the respect of his classmates and can't believe his luck when Mr. Havens offers to coach the third graders during recess. But what if not all of Ellray's friends love it as much as he does?

Definition: hone- refine or perfect (something) over a period of time. Ex. She has taken numerous workshops to hone her skills over the years.

**Writing Assignment:** Story Map - Write about the beginning Middle and the end of the book.

With kind regards,

Second Grade Team