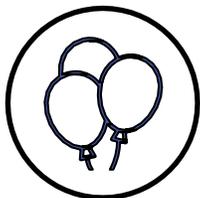


# SUMMER/BTS NEWSLETTER

Ms. Mandi & Ms. Victoria | second & third grade

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## STAY COOL, TFA!

Studies show that kids who don't have access to books over the summer lose up to 2 months of reading performance. And that gap continues to widen. So what can we do to prevent the "summer slide"?

- Visit the library
- Read to, and with your child.
- Model what fluent reading sounds like.
- Read for different purposes: cookbooks, instructions manuals, and magazines all count!
- Play games with words
- Keep a stack of books & a flashlight by their bed.

Look for learning opportunities everywhere this summer!

- Telling time on an analog clock
- Adding & subtracting with money on trips to the grocery store.
- Measuring while cooking
- Discussing and making healthy choices
- If they haven't already... tying shoes!

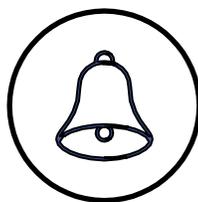
## SUMMER READING PROJECT

Choose a book on their level to read (or read together as a family) and complete a project to be turned in on **the first day of school.**

The Wild Robot by Peter Brown is a great book to read together, and the sequel, The Wild Robot Escapes is available on Amazon for around \$8. Other suggested titles include: Charlie and the Chocolate Factory (or any title by Roald Dahl), The Magic Treehouse series, The Flashback Four series, or books written by the author Andrew Clements. Whatever you decide, it should be something your child is comfortable with and excited about!

Some project ideas include:

- A skit or play recorded
- A song, dance, or rap
- A diorama of a favorite scene
- "Book in a box"- a box containing objects that represent important parts of the story, explained on notecards.
- An interview with a favorite character
- A puppet show



### UPCOMING EVENTS

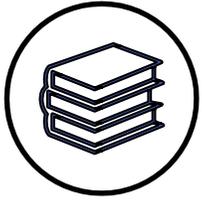
**Goal Setting: by appointment,  
week of 8/22**

**First Day of School: 8/31**

**The first week of school will be  
early release (12:30)**

**The beautiful thing about learning is that no one can take it away from you.**

- B.B. King



## Meet your Teachers

Hi! My name is Ms. Mandi. This is my 16<sup>th</sup> year at The Foundation Academy. In addition to teacher 2/3 grade, I also get to choose Birthday Books for every student at TFA! It's an extra fun job for me because I love reading! I also love art, gardening, cooking, bird-watching, nature walks, and spending time with my husband & 2 kids. I can't wait to learn with you!



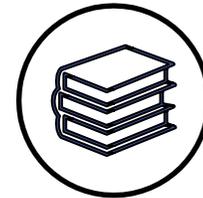
Hi, my name is Ms. Victoria and I am so excited to be co teaching the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade this year. This will be my 4<sup>th</sup> year teaching at TFA and my 2<sup>nd</sup> year teaching the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade. I am from Atlantic Beach Florida, where I currently live with my 2 children and our dog. I love to make learning fun and to try new things. I am glad you are in our class, and I look forward to a great year!

## IMPORTANT HOMEWORK!

Learning independence and responsibility are SO important to success in the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade! These are practices that can be built at home over the summer.

Pick a few chores/responsibilities from the list provided. The purpose of them being not to earn money or privileges, but to contribute to the family and learn the traits they need!

- Pick up & put away toys
- Load/unload dishwasher, put away dishes
- Collect and sort laundry, fold & put away clothes
- Make bed, get dressed, brush teeth & hair every day, unassisted
- Set & clear table
- Take out garbage & recycle
- Sweep, vacuum
- Help prepare simple meals



## ONLINE RESOURCES

Looking for some more reading resources? No problem! We've set up a special account on Readworks filled with articles, stories and poems just for your student!

Log onto: [www.readworks.org](http://www.readworks.org)  
Class Code: **G3SL6Q**  
Password: 1234

**Libby** is a free app for downloading ebooks & audiobooks from the library! All you need is a library card!

[Khanacademy.org](http://Khanacademy.org) is another great free resource for math practice, reading, and much more!



## SUPPLY LIST FOR 2022-23

- 4- composition notebooks
- Pencils, erasers, pencil sharpener
- 1" binder with pockets
- 1 pack Index cards
- Sketchbook
- Headphones (with aux chord, no Bluetooth)
- Lysol wipes
- Box of tissues
- Box of snacks to share
- Water bottle

\*Please **do not** send in: backpacks, microwaveable lunches, toys, candy, electronics.