



JORDAN BANK KINDERGARTEN CENTER

2016 SUMMER READING PROJECT



(FOR STUDENTS ENTERING KINDERGARTEN)

****Books groupings are meant to be read by or with an adult****

THEME: FRIENDSHIP AND EMPATHY

BOOK TITLE	AUTHOR	SUMMARY	LEVEL
SECURE			
<i>How Full is your Bucket? For Kids</i>	Rath, Tom & Reckmeyer, Mary	<FICTION> This book is told through the story of a boy who learns a valuable “bucket filling” metaphor and watches it come to life as the day unfolds. Every moment matters. Each of us has an invisible bucket. When our bucket is full, we feel great. When it’s empty, we feel awful. Yet most children (and many adults) don’t realize the importance of having a full bucket throughout the day.	AD560L
<i>Just My Friend and Me</i>	Mercer Mayer	<FICTION> The very popular Little Critter has a friend over to play and tries his best to be a good host. It's a long afternoon. After his friend damages Little Critter's bike by accident, leaves him in the tree house without a ladder, and doesn't help clean up his room, Little Critter decides that playing alone isn't always bad.	AD530L
<i>Do Unto Otters: A Book About Manners</i>	Keller, Laurie	<INFORMATIONAL> Mr. Rabbit's new neighbors are Otters, but he doesn't know anything about otters. Will they get along? Will they be friends? “Just treat otters the same way you'd like them to treat you.”, advises Mr. Owl.	AD460L
PROGRESSING			
<i>Frog and Toad Are Friends</i>	Lobel, Arnold	<FICTION> From writing letters to going swimming, telling stories to finding lost buttons, Frog and Toad are always there for each other—just as best friends should be.	400L
<i>My Friend Rabbit</i>	Rohman, Eric	<FICTION> When Mouse lets his best friend, Rabbit, play with his brand-new airplane, trouble isn't far behind. This picture book is about friends, toys, and trouble.	NA
<i>Feelings</i>	Aliki	<INFORMATIONAL> Happy, sad, shy, excited--how do you feel? Sometimes it's hard to explain your feelings. This book has little vignettes depicted in cartoon format.	NA

EMERGING			
<i>You are my Sunshine (Toot and Puddle)</i>	Hobbie, Holly	<FICTION> The sun is shining, the birds are singing, and the flowers are in full bloom- so why is Toot so blue? In an effort to cheer up his best friend, Puddle bakes Toot's favorite berry cobbler, takes him on a river rafting adventure, invites all of their friends over for a fun-filled day of games, and singing, but nothing seems to help. Just when he is about to give up, a sudden thunderstorm hits Woodcock Pocket, flooding all of Pocket Pond. The next day, Puddle wakes up to find the air cleared...and his old friend back.	320L
<i>George and Martha: The Best of Friends</i>	Marshall, James	<FICTION> This book contains the classic stories "The Attic" and "The Surprise" and includes fun and educational activities!	500L
<i>The Best Friends Book</i>	Parr, Todd	<INFORMATIONAL> This upbeat, humorous book describes best friends as friends who accept you as you are, forgive you, share, visit when you are sick, and make you laugh, etc.	AD640L
PROGRESSING/EMERGING			
<i>Should I Share My Ice Cream?</i>	Willems, Mo	<FICTION> Gerald is careful. Piggy is not. Piggy cannot help smiling. Gerald can. Gerald worries so that Piggy does not have to. Gerald and Piggy are best friends.	180L
<i>My Way: A mi manera</i>	Reiser, Lynn	<FICTION> Meet two very different girls. Do they get along? Do they ever share their favorite things? Of course! They are best friends.	NA
<i>David's Drawings</i>	Falwell, Cathryn	<NON FICTION> A shy boy arriving at a new school makes friends with his classmates by letting them join in with a drawing he is doing.	AD150L

**** ASSIGNMENT: Read 2 Fiction stories and 1 Non Fiction or Informational book, draw a picture of each book, and give to your kindergarten teacher in September****