

3. Going the Extra Mile

St. Luke School students are always out there trying to do their best!

This coming year we are going to celebrate the many different ways we see students “going the extra mile” in many different ways. One way that we are going to kick off this theme is to ask that EVERY student

send a postcard or picture of somewhere you visited this summer.

You will send the card directly to your teacher or you can mail it to the school at:

St. Luke School

Attn: Teacher’s Name

318 11th Street

Columbus, GA 31901

All of the pictures and postcards will be added to a very special display before school starts and a pin will be put on the map to represent your summer adventure—even if it is in your own backyard! All postcards and pictures must arrive no later than August 6th, 2009.



A Message from the Headmaster

Summer is a special time for families and we at St. Luke School recognize students need some time to relax and enjoy just being children.

Research tells us that children should watch less television and read more, play fewer video games and participate in more REAL play, and sleep in less on Sunday mornings and attend more worship services and Sunday School.

Our summer activity, **although required**, is an exciting way for parents and their children to interact and keep those brains engaged. Elementary students are required to **journal** some of their summer happenings, and are also required to complete a summer **reading log** showing a minimum number of summer reading minutes according to their grade level. In addition, students should send in **one postcard** as described in this brochure.

Please feel free to call us if you have any questions.

HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!



For more information, additional reading logs, and links to suggested reading lists, please visit the Lions on the Loose section at the SLS school website:

<http://school.stlukeum.com>

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St. Luke School

Lions on the Loose Summer 2009

Kindergarten - 5th Grade

Summer Requirements:

1. **Journal of Summer Happenings**
2. **Summer Reading Log**
3. **Going the Extra Mile Postcard**

What is Lions on the Loose?

1. JOURNAL OF SUMMER HAPPENINGS

“What did you do over the summer?” This is a question that most students will hear sometime during the first week of school. We have come up with a unique way for all of our St. Luke Lions to tell us about their summer journey. We want to hear and see all about the things the children did over the summer, whether it was to stay at home and play or to go to Japan! Please look over the following guidelines and let your child be as creative as he/she can be to complete the project.

Please allow your child to complete as much of this project on his/her own, so that the teachers are able to get an idea of your child’s individual abilities, as well as to get to know his/her personality.

The journal should be completed and turned in on August 6, 2009, at the Meet-the-Teacher event.

Thank you in advance for encouraging your child to do their best while summarizing their summer in such a unique way!

2. READING LOG

Each child will need to complete the Reading Log provided, according to the grade level specifications found in this brochure.

3. GOING THE EXTRA MILE

Each child will need to participate in the Going the Extra Mile Postcard activity that is described in this brochure.



These three projects are required and a grade will be given for each.

1. Journal of Summer Happenings Guidelines

Kindergarten and 1st Grade Guidelines

Rising Kindergarteners and 1st graders will be given red folders with blank pages. All journal entries should be made in this folder and should include illustrations and/or other memorabilia.

- at least 6 **dated** and illustrated entries
- words and phrases written by the student to go with each entry
- Memorabilia - movie tickets, pamphlets, etc.

2nd through 5th Grade Guidelines

All 2nd - 5th grade students will be given a Composition Book. All journal entries should be made in this book and should include illustrations and other memorabilia.

- Illustrations - pictures, drawings, etc.
- Memorabilia - movie/park tickets, postcards, pamphlets, etc.

Please leave 36 blank sheets in the back of the book for use during the upcoming school year!

Rising 2nd and 3rd grade students should include...

- at least 8 **dated** entries
- 2-3 sentences per entry to describe what is happening in the pictures

Rising 4th and 5th grade students should include...

- at least 10 **dated** entries
- 4-5 sentences per entry (answer Who? What? When? Where? and Why?) to describe what is happening in the picture

2. Summer Reading Log Guidelines

All St. Luke students are required to read and record their minutes in a Reading Log. The completed reading log forms should be folded and taped inside their journal. Each journal comes with one reading log inside the front or back cover. Additional reading logs are available on our website. **The total number of minutes that is due for each grade level is based on 8 weeks during the summer.** This should allow for flexibility in the student’s schedule.

Rising Kindergarteners and 1st Graders...

- should read or be read to for at least 10 minutes per day or an average of 40 minutes per week for a grand total of at least 320 minutes

Rising 2nd Graders...

- should read and log at least 15 minutes per day or an average of 60 minutes per week for a grand total of at least 480 minutes

Rising 3rd, 4th and 5th Graders...

- should read and log at least 20 minutes per day or an average of 80 minutes per week for a grand total of at least 640 minutes

