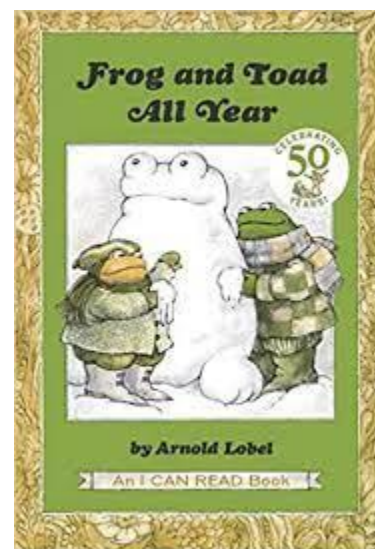
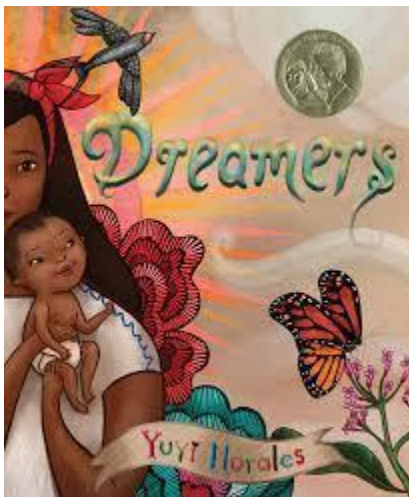


May 12, 2021

Dear Families,

The summer reading books for incoming second graders are *Dreamers* by Yuyi Morales and *Frog and Toad: All Year* by Arnold Lobel. Both books focus on fiction and nonfiction characters that build relationships through kindness, patience, and respect. These character themes are the foundation for building our classrooms into a caring community of learners. Throughout the year we will learn about other fictional and nonfictional characters that will help teach us lessons of values, cooperation, collaboration and citizenship. We hope you enjoy the journey of the mother and her child, and the unshakeable friendship of Frog and Toad. Have a great summer and we look forward to September!



### **What is a Book?**

By Lora Daunt

A book is pages, pictures and words  
A book is animals, people and birds  
A book is stories of queens and kings  
Poems and songs-so many things!  
Curled in a corner where I can hide  
With a book I can journey far and wide  
Though it's only paper from end to end  
A book is a very special friend.

Sincerely,  
The Second Grade Teachers