**Henry Barnard School Second Grade**

**Summer Reading List**

**For students entering Grade 2 in August 2017**

**Theme: Friendship**

Reading over the summer months is essential for maintaining and developing reading skills.  For this reason, we have developed a suggested reading list for students entering second grade.  The list includes a range of books on the second grade reading level.

Students are required to read Chester’s Way by Kevin Henkes.  Although this book may not be “just right” for your child, it will be used as a springboard for discussion about friendship.

Students should select at least two other books on the list to read and discuss over the summer.   The books below are approximately listed in the order of difficulty, from the easiest to the more difficult.

Upon completing the reading, students should create a project (poster, collage, art project, video, story, etc.) that communicates what friendship means to them.  Students will share the projects during the first week of school.

Henry and Mudge in the Family Trees by Cynthia Rylant

George and Martha One Fine Day by James Marshall

Chester’s Way by Kevin Henkes

The Rainbow Fish by Marcus Pfister

Little Grunt and the Big Egg: A Prehistoric Fairy Tale by Tomie dePaola

Best Friends by Stephen Kellogg

Amos and Boris by William Steig