



SUMMER READING

Dear Families,

It is hard to believe that the school year could possibly be coming to a close. It is that time to start thinking about summer plans. Throughout the year at All Saints, we all work together to ensure that all of our students are successful readers. We would like to continue this work throughout the summer, with your help.

A great deal of research strongly suggests that a direct correlation exists between the time students spend reading and their achievement in school. Summer provides no exception. There is also much research suggesting that many students' reading skills regress over the summer months.

As a team of teachers, we have created a summer reading program for incoming K-2 students. This summer, we will be doing a "Reading Marathon: Running for Great Books", because it's important to exercise our minds as well as our bodies! The process is simple. Each student will be given a reading log and sneaker cut-out. Students should complete the log as they read. Then, they should choose two of the books that they read and would recommend for others to read. On the front of the sneaker, the student should write his or her name, the title and author of the book and a short explanation of why this is a great book – "Why we should run out to read it". Students should cut out and decorate their sneakers. Any type of book may be recorded and additional sneakers are available on the school website.

Also, please encourage your child to choose "just right" books. When we return to school in the fall, all students' sneakers will be displayed on the course of the marathon. Please bring your log and sneakers the first week of school.

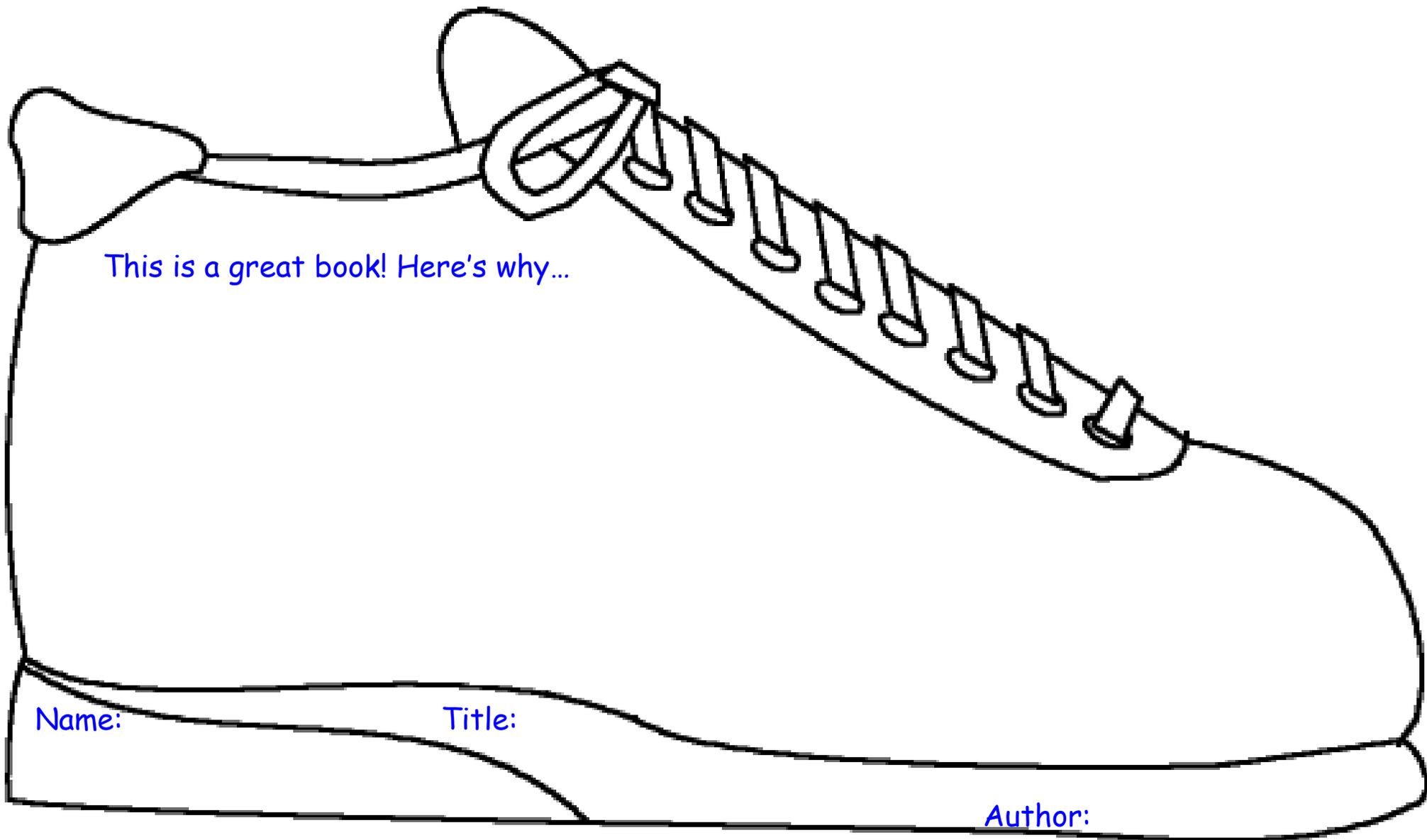
Other Helpful Reading Tips

- Spend time reading with your child and discussing what he or she has read
- Read the newspaper together or magazines you might receive in the mail
- The local library or bookstore provide opportunities to escape the heat and spend time with books

All it takes is a small period of time each day to exercise that brain. The results are truly remarkable. Together, we can continue to help our children become confident, proficient, and eager young readers. Thank you for your support. Have a happy and safe summer!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Forth
Miss Reilly
Mrs. Kienzle



This is a great book! Here's why...

Name:

Title:

Author: