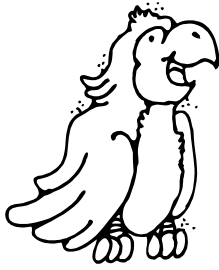
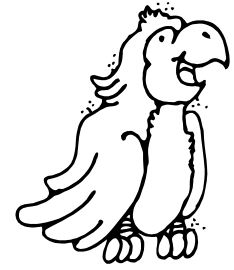


A school-wide program...



March



Reading Strategy

Dear Parents,

Our school's comprehension strategy is focusing on **SUMMARIZING AND RETELLING** this month. At school we use a "Jabber the Reteller", a parrot, as a visual cue to help us remember this strategy. Below are some questions and ideas to prompt your child as they read to help him/her with this strategy:

- What does the author want you to know?
- Are there some parts of the text that are more important than others?
- What new things did you learn from your reading?
- Name two interesting ideas or facts you learned.
- How did you decide which parts were most important in your reading?
- Remember to use your main idea and details strategy to help you form your summary.

On the BACK SIDE of this sheet is an example of one activity that can be used while your child is using the summarizing and retelling strategy. It is strongly encouraged for your child to complete this with a book of his/her choice. This can be copied into an at-home reading journal to encourage your child to do the reading activity more than once throughout the month. The more practice, the more confident your child will feel in using this strategy☺.

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Summarizing

Title:	
Setting	Character
Beginning of Story	Middle of Story
End	Summary (In your own words)