

Summer Reading List First Grade

This list contains a wide variety of books for your child to choose from with your help and guidance. When choosing a book to read students should find one that is interesting to them, and that they can confidently read and understand with a small amount of support. Please have your child read three of the books listed on this list before the first day of school. For each book you should include the title, author, and a short summary, on a piece of lined paper, to be turned in on the first day of school. There should also be an illustration relating to the book!

Thank you,
Ms. James
Ms. Brennan

1. Charlotte's Web by E.B. White
2. Where the Wild Things Are by Maurice Sendak
3. The Giving Tree by Shel Silverstein
4. Green Eggs and Ham by Dr. Seuss
5. Good Night Moon by Margaret Wise Brown
6. I Love You Forever by Robert N. Munsch
7. Because of Winn Dixie by Kate DiCamillo
8. Oh! The Places You Will Go by Dr. Seuss
9. The Little House by Virginia Lee Burton
10. The Polar Express by Chris Van Allsburg
11. Skippyjon Jones by Judy Schachner
12. Thank You Mr. Falker by Patricia Polacco
13. The Cat In The Hat by Dr. Seuss
14. The Lorax by Dr. Seuss
15. The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane by Kate DiCamillo
16. The Mitten by Jan Brett
17. Crunching Carrots, Not Candy by Judy Slack
18. Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus by Mo Willems
19. Harry Potter Series by J.K. Rowling
20. A Wrinkle in Time by Madeleine L'Engle
21. Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good Very Bad Day by Judith Viorst
22. Are You My Mother? by P.D. Eastman
23. Corduroy by Don Freeman
24. Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse by Kevin Henkes
25. Stellaluna by Janell Cannon
26. Tacky the Penguin by Helen Lester
27. The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe by C.S. Lewis
28. The Velveteen Rabbit by Margery Williams
29. Chicka Chicka Boom Boom by Bill Martin Jr.
30. Click Clack Moo: Cows That Type by Doreen Cronin

31. Harold and the Purple Crayon by Crockett Johnson
32. Horton Hatches the Egg by Dr. Seuss
33. Junie B. Jones by Barbara Park
34. Little House in the Big Woods by Laura Ingalls Wilder
35. Make Way For Ducklings by Robert McCloskey
36. The Phantom Tollbooth by Norton Juster
37. Piggie Pie by Margie Palatini
38. The Little Engine That Could by Watty Piper
39. The Monster at the End of this Book by Jon Stone
40. The Tale of Despereaux by Kate DiCamillo
41. A Bad Case of Stripes by David Shannon
42. Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs by Judi Barrett
43. From the Mixed Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler by E.L. Konigsburg
44. Inkheart by Cornelia Funke
45. Maniac Magee by Jerry Spinelli
46. Officer Buckle and Gloria by Peggy Rathmann
47. Olivia by Ian Falconer
48. The BFG by Roald Dahl
49. The Kissing Hand by Audrey Penn
50. The Secret Garden by Frances Hodgson Burnett
51. The Sneetches by Dr. Seuss
52. The Very Hungry Caterpillar by Eric Carle
53. Tikki Tikki Tembo by Arlene Mosel
54. A Little Princess by Frances Hodgson Burnett
55. Bark, George by Jules Feiffer
56. Bunnica by James Howe
57. Charlie and the Chocolate Factory by Roald Dahl
58. Charlie the Caterpillar by Dom DeLuise
59. Chrysanthemum by Kevin Henkes
60. Dear Mr. Henshaw by Beverly Cleary
61. Frederick by Leo Lionni
62. Frindle by Andrew Clements
63. Frog and Toad by Arnold Lobel
64. Guess How Much I Love You by Sam McBratney
65. Harris and Me by Gary Paulsen
66. Harry the Dirty Dog by Gene Zion
67. Hop on Pop by Dr. Seuss
68. How the Grinch Stole Christmas by Dr. Seuss
69. I Love You, Stinky Face by Lisa McCourt
70. Is Your Mama A Llama? by Deborah Guarino
71. Jan Brett's books
72. Knots on a Counting Rope by Bill Martin Jr.
73. Little Women by Louisa May Alcott
74. Mike Mulligan and His Steam Shovel by Virginia Lee Burton
75. Miss Rumphius by Barbara Cooney
76. My Father's Dragon by Ruth Stiles Gannett

77. My Many Colored Days by Dr. Seuss
78. My Side of the Mountain by Jean Craighead George
79. No David! by David Shannon
80. One Fish, Two Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish by Dr. Seuss
81. Where the Sidewalk Ends by Shel Silverstein
82. Stephanie's Ponytail by Robert Munsch
83. Swimmy by Leo Lionni
84. The Hundred Dresses by Eleanor Estes
85. The Boxcar Children by Gertrude Warner
86. The Dark Is Rising by Susan Cooper
87. The Empty Pot by Demi
88. The Five Chinese Brothers by Claire Huchet Bishop
89. The Giver by Lois Lowr
90. The Grouchy Ladybug by Eric Carle
91. The Hobbit by J.R.R. Tolkien
92. The Important Book by Margaret Wise Brown
93. The Last Holiday Concert by Andrew Clements
94. The Napping House by Audrey Wood
95. The Quiltmaker's Gift by Jeff Brumbeau
96. The Snowy Day by Ezra Jack Keats
97. The Story About Ping by Marjorie Flack
98. The True Story of the Three Little Pigs by Jon Scieszka
99. Tuck Everlasting by Natalie Babbitt
100. The Wide-Mouthed Frog: A Pop-Up Book by Keith Faulkner

2nd GRADE SUMMER READING LIST

Ways to Enjoy Reading

Listen to a book being read aloud.

Take turns reading to a friend or parent.

Read the book by yourself and tell someone about your favorite parts.

Record yourself reading the book or parts of the book a second time.

Listen to the tape.

Make a list of the books you have read.

Use a code to indicate how you felt about each book.

Visit the library and explore the section with information books.

Select those that interest you.

Check out a poetry book and make copies of your favorite poems.

2nd Grade Summer Reading Possibilities

This listing of books offers book titles that are popular with boys and girls who are entering second grade. The list is a good place to start your summer reading, but it is only a beginning. Other titles by these authors or other authors offer enjoyable reading. Knowing how to choose a good book is part of being a good reader. Have fun choosing and reading books this summer.

(ADLER) "Young Cam Jansen" Series

(ALLEN) A Kiss Means I Love You

(BARNETT) Extra Yarn

(BARROWS) "Ivy + Bean" Series

(BINGHAM) Z is for Moose

(BLACK) I'M Bored

(BLUME) "The Pain and the Great One" Series

(BRETT) Any Jan Brett Book

(BROWN) Any Arthur Book

(BROWN) Flat Stanley

(BRUEL) Bad Kitty

(BUZZEO) One Cool Friend

(CECIL) Horsefly and Honeybee

(COHEN) See You in Second Grade

(CRONIN) Thump, Quack, Moo

(DANZIGER) Get Ready for Second Grade Amber Brown

(DePalma) Bow-Wow Wiggle-Waggle

(DEREGNIERS) May I Bring a Friend?

(DiCamillo) Bink & Gollie

(DiCamillo) "Mercy Watson" Series

(DIXON) Blueberry Shoe

(ELYA) Fire! Fuego! Brave Bomberos

(FLEMING) Oh, No!

(FROST) Step Gently Out

(GERSHATOR) Time for a Hug

(HENKES) The Garden

(HOBBY) Toot and Puddles

(HODGKINSON) Goldilocks and Just One Bear

(HOOD) Spike: the Mixed-up Monster

(HOPKINS) Prairie Chicken Little

(HOWE) "Pinky and Rex" Series

(JACOBSON) "Andy Shane" Series

(JENKINS) Lemonade in Winter
(JOHNSON) Harold and the Purple Crayon
(KAHN) Emeraldalicious
(KERRIN) "Martin Bridge" Series
(KLASSEN) This Is Not My Hat
(KLEIN) "Ready Freddy" Series
(KLINE) "Horrible Harry" Series
(KROSOCZKA) Max for President
(LANE) John, Paul, George & Ben
(LAROCHELLE) It's a Tiger!
(LESTER) "Tacky the Penguin" Series
(LOBEL) "Frog and Toad" Series
(MACK) Frog and Fly
(MACK) Good News, Bad News
(McDONALD) Stink and Freaky Frog Freakout
(MORTENSEN) Cindy Moo
(MUNSCH) The Paper Bag Princess
(NORMAN) I Know a Wee Piggy
(MORA) Gracias - Thanks
(MUNTEAN) Do Not Open This Book
(NOLAN) Down Girl and Sit: smarter than squirrels
(O'CONNOR) Fancy Nancy: Poet Extraordinaire!
(OSBORNE) "Magic Tree House" Series
(PARK) "Junie B. Jones" Series
(PFISTER) "Rainbow Fish" Series
(PILKEY) The Paperboy
(REAGAN) How to Babysit Grandpa
(REYNOLDS) Creepy Carrots
(ROBERTON) The Perfect Present
(ROY) "A to Z Mysteries" Series
(RYLANT) "Henry and Mudge" Series
(RYLANT) "Annie and Snowball" Series
(SCHACHNER) Skippyjon Jones in the Dog-House
(SCHWARTZ) The Three Ninja Pigs
(SENDAK) Where the Wild Things Are
(SHANNON) Too Many Toys
(SILVERMAN) Cowgirl Kate and Cocoa
(SUTTON) Demolition
(TEAGUE) How I Spent My Summer Vacation
(THALER) The Teacher from the Black Lagoon
(THOMAS) Let's Sing a Lullaby with the Brave Cowboy
(TULLET) Press Here
(VAN LEEUWEN) "Amanda Pig" Series
(WHAMOND) Oddrey
(WILLEMS) Should I Share My Ice Cream?
(WOON) Penguin and Pinecone: A Friendship Story
(YOLEN) Waking Dragons
(YOLEN) "Commander Toad" Series
(ZION) "Harry the Dirty Dog" Series

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Third Grade Summer Reading List

Dear Parents,

Students are required to read three of the books listed below this summer. After each book is read, please initial next to it. If your child reads one of a series, please write the title of the book on the line provided. Return this list on the first day of school next year. Students will be expected to take a Renaissance Reading test on the three books they read.

___ Nate the Great, Marjorie Weinman Sharmat

___ Pick of the Litter, Bill Wallace

___ Nasty, Stinky Sneakers, Eve Bunting

___ Otherwise Known as Sheila the Great, Judy Blume

___ How to Eat Fried Worms, Thomas Rockwell

___ How to Be Cool in the Third Grade, Betsy Duffey

___ Fantastic Mr. Fox, Roald Dahl

___ The BFG, Roald Dahl

___ Magic Tree House, Mary Pope Osborne

___ Geronimo/Thea Stilton Series Scholastic Inc.

___ My Weird School, Dan Gutman

___ Miss Nelson Series, Harry Arnold

___ Spirit Animals, Brandon Mull

___ Black Lagoon Series, Mike Thaler

___ Cam Jansen Series, David Adler

___ Judy Moody Series (and Friends), Megan MacDonald

___ A-Z Mysteries, Ron Roy

___ I Funny.... / House of Robots James Patterson

___ Humphrey, Betty Birney

___ The Chronicles of Narnia, C.S. Lewis

___ Who Was...? / What Was...? Series Penguin Books

___ Early Reader Science Series National Geographic Kids (author varies)

Fourth Grade Recommended Reading List

Please read at least one of these books this summer. Be ready to take a Renaissance Reading Quiz on your selection.

- **Beezus and Ramona (Beverly Cleary)**-Beatrice Quimby has so much trouble with her little sister Ramona, that she decides she does not like Ramona at all.
- **The Mouse and the Motorcycle (Beverly Cleary)**-A reckless young mouse named Ralph makes friends with a boy in room 215 of the Mountain View Inn and discovers the joys of motorcycling.
- **Runaway Ralph (Beverly Cleary)**-Ralph runs away looking for freedom, but winds up a prisoner at a summer camp.
- **Ralph S. Mouse (Beverly Cleary)**-Presents the further adventures of a motorcycle-riding mouse who goes to school and becomes the instigator of an investigation of rodents and the peace make for two lonely boys.
- **Mr. Popper's Penguins (Richard Tupper Atware)**-The unexpected delivery of a large crate containing an Antarctic penguin changes the life and fortunes of Mr. Popper, a house painter obsessed by dreams of the Polar regions. Newbery Honor.
- **Strawberry Girl (Lois Lenski)**-Set in a little-known backwoods region of Florida, Strawberry Girl is the first of the Lenski regional books. Newbery Medal.
 - **Heidi (Johanna Spyri)**-A Swiss orphan is heartbroken when she must leave her beloved grandfather and their happy home in the mountains to go to school and to care for an invalid girl in the city.
- **Stuart Little (E.B. White)**-The adventures of the debonair mouse Stuart Little as he sets out in the world to seek out his dearest friend, a little bird who stayed a few days in his family's garden.
- **Ella Enchanted (Gail Carson Levine)**-In this novel based on the story of Cinderella, Ella struggles against the childhood curse that forces her to obey any order given to her. Newbery Honor.
- **The Invention of Hugo Cabret : A Novel in Words and Pictures (Brian Selznick)**-When twelve-year-old Hugo, an orphan living and repairing clocks within the walls of a Paris train station in 1931, meets a mysterious toyseller and his goddaughter, his undercover life and his biggest secret are jeopardized.
- **The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane (Kate DiCamillo)**-Edward Tulane, a cold-hearted and proud toy rabbit, loves only himself until he is separated from the little girl who adores him and travels across the country, acquiring new owners and listening to their hopes, dreams, and histories.
- **Tale of Despereaux (Kate DiCamillo)**-The adventures of Despereaux Tilling, a small mouse of unusual talents, the princess that he loves, the servant girl who longs to be a princess, and a devious rat determined to bring them all to ruin. Newbery Medal.
- **The Magician's Nephew (C.S. Lewis)**-When Digory and Polly try to return the wicked witch Jadis to her own world, the magic gets mixed up and they all land in Narnia where they witness Aslan blessing the animals with human speech.
- **The Penderwicks : A Summer Tale of Four Sisters, Two Rabbits, and a Very Interesting Boy (Jeanne Birdsall)**-While vacationing with their widowed father in the Berkshire Mountains, four lovable sisters, ages four through twelve, share adventures with a local boy, much to the dismay of his snobbish mother.
 - **Shiloh (Phyllis Reynolds Naylor)**-When he finds a lost beagle in the hills behind his West Virginia home, Marty tries to hide it from his family and the dog's real owner, a mean-spirited man. Newbery Medal.
 - **Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing (Judy Blume)**-Peter finds his demanding two-year-old brother an ever increasing problem.
 - **The Swiss Family Robinson Illustrated Classics (Johann David Wyss)**-An abridged version of the story that relates the fortunes of a shipwrecked family as they imaginatively adapt to life on an island with abundant animal and plant life.
- **Ben and Me: An Astonishing Life of Benjamin Franklin by His Good Mouse, Amos (Robert Lawson)**- Benjamin Franklin's companion, Amos the mouse, recounts how he was responsible for Franklin's inventions and discoveries.
 - **The School Story (Andrew Clements)**-After twelve-year-old Natalie writes a wonderful novel, her friend Zoe helps her devise a scheme to get it accepted at the publishing house where Natalie's mother works as an editor.
 - **Janitor's Boy (Andrew Clements)**- Jack turns his anger onto his father, the school janitor, after the fifth grader is ridiculed by the students.
 - **Last Holiday Concert (Andrew Clements)**-Life is unusually easy for popular sixth grader Hart Evans, but when his music teacher puts him in charge of the holiday concert, Hart must use all of his leadership skills to unite the other students.

- **The Wheel on the School (Meindert DeJong)**-Six schoolchildren face many obstacles to try to bring back the storks who never come to their little Dutch village anymore. Newbery Medal.
- **The Cricket in Times Square (George Selden)**-The adventures of a country cricket who unintentionally arrives in New York and is befriended by Tucker Mouse and Harry Cat. Newbery Honor.
- **Earthquake Terror (Peg Kehret)**-When an earthquake hits the isolated island in northern California where his family had been camping, twelve-year-old Jonathan Palmer must find a way to keep himself partially paralyzed younger sister and their dog alive until help arrives.
- **Trapped (Peg Kehret)**-When his owner, Alex, finds an illegal animal trap in the woods, Pete the cat faces grave danger as he tries to help his human friends find the culprit who set the trap.
- **My Side of the Mountain (Jean Craighead George)**-A young boy relates his adventures during the year he spends living alone in the Catskill Mountains including his struggle for survival, his dependence on nature, his animal friends, and his ultimate realization that he needs human companionship.
- **Family Under the Bridge (Natalie Savage Carlson)**-An old tramp, adopted by three fatherless children when their mother hides them under a bridge on the Seine, finds a home for mother and a job for himself. Newbery Honor.
- **The Arrow Over the Door (Joseph Bruchac)**-In the year 1777, a group of Quakers and a party of Indians have a memorable meeting. Told in alternating viewpoints of Stands Straight and Samuel Russell, this is based on a historical meeting during the Revolutionary War.
- **Sky Memories (Pat Brisson)**-When ten-year-old Emily learns that her mother has cancer, the two of them begin a ritual that will help prepare Emily for what is to come and to remember her mother long after she is gone.
- **Bear Dogs: Canines with a Mission (Ted Wood)**-These 50-pound bundles of energy and courage routinely take on 400-pound grizzlies to steer problem bears away from trouble. Non-fiction.
- **The Christmas Barn (C.L. Davis)**-In 1930, when a snowstorm destroys their home in the Appalachian Mountains, Roxie and her family move into the barn and celebrate Christmas there.
- **Fly High!: The Story of Bessie Coleman (Louise Borden)**-This book discusses the life of the determined African American woman who went all the way to France to earn her pilot's license in 1921.
- **Fur-ever Yours, Booker Jones (Betsy Duffey)**-Booker Jones turns to his writing once again to deal with the stress of this parents' decision to vacation together, leaving family and laundry behind.
- **The Good Dog (Avi)**-McKinley, a malamute, is torn between the domestic world of his human family and the wild world of a wolf named Lupin, as he tries to increase his wolf pack.
- **Ark in the Park (Wendy Orr)**-Sophie and Mr. and Mrs. Noah, owners of a pet store, become special friends as they share their love for animals.
- **Love, Ruby Lavender (Deborah Wiles)**-While her grandmother spends the summer in Hawaii, Ruby learns self-reliance by writing letters and befriending a new girl in town.
- **Stopping to Home (Lea Wait)**-In 1806, orphaned Abigail and her brother Seth find a home with a young widow, and they help her find a way to support them all.
- **Becoming Joe DiMaggio (Maria Testa)**-The highlight of Joseph Paul's growing up years was listening to baseball games on the radio and learning the rules of the game at his grandfather's knee.
- **The Confessions and Secrets of Howard J. Fingerhut (Esther Hershenhorn)**-A fourth grade entrepreneur competes with his classmates to win a contest and writes a book about the experience.
- **Mercedes and the Chocolate Pilot (Margot Theis Raven)**-To relieve the hunger in Germany in 1948, pilots began airlifting supplies including candy and gum for the children, which gave them a reason to hope for a better life.
- **Runt (Marion Dane Bauer)**-Deep in the woods, four normal-sized pups-Leader, Sniffer, Runner, & Thinker-are born. Then comes one last, very small pup ages. For him there is no name but Runt and he struggles for acceptance.
- **When the Circus Came to Town (Laurence Yep)**-An Asian cook and a Chinese New Year celebration help a ten-year-old girl at a stagecoach station regain her confidence after smallpox scars her face.
- **Escaping the Giant Wave (Peg Kehret)**-When an earthquake creates a tsunami while thirteen-year-old Kyle is babysitting his sister during a family vacation at a Pacific Coast resort, he tries to save his sister and a boy who has bullied him for years.
- **It Can't Be Done, Nellie Bly! (Nancy Butcher)**-In 1888, a young, female reporter for New York World newspaper sets out to travel around the world in fewer than eighty days, while a Cosmopolitan magazine reporter tries to beat her to the goal.
- **Seaward Born (Lea Wait)**-In 1805, a thirteen-year-old slave and his friend make a dangerous escape from Charleston, South Carolina and stow away to head north toward freedom.
- **The Greatest Skating Race (Louise Borden)**-During WWII in the Netherlands, a ten-year-old boy's dream of skating in a famous race allows him to help two children escape to Belgium by ice-skating past German soldiers and other enemies.

- **Dad, Jackie, and Me (Myron Uhlberg)**-In Brooklyn, New York, in 1947 a young boy learns about discrimination and tolerance as he and his deaf father share their enthusiasm over baseball and the Dodger's first baseman, Jackie Robinson.
- **Friendship According to Humphrey (Betty G. Birney)**-When Humphrey returns to Mrs. Brisbane's class after the winter break, a new class pet and some other surprises give him the opportunity to reflect on the meaning of friendship. Sequel to *The World According to Humphrey*.
 - **Trouble According to Humphrey (Betty G. Birney)**-Humphrey, the classroom hamster, relates the adventures and misadventures of the students in room 26 when they begin the assignment to build a model town.
- **The Liberation of Gabriel King (K.L. Going)**-In Georgia, during the summer of 1976, Gabriel, a white boy who is being bullied, and Frita, an African American girl who is facing prejudice, decide to face their fears together as they enter the fifth grade.
- **The Seven Wonders of Sassafras Springs (Betty G. Birney)**-Eben McAllister searches his small town to see if he can find anything comparable to the real Seven Wonders of the World.
- **The Jade Dragon (Carolyn Marsden)**-Drawing on her own life story Virginia Shin-Mui Loh joins Carolyn Marsden to poignantly capture a young girl's dilemma as she navigates between her culture and her friendship.
- **Julia's Kitchen (Brenda A . Farber)**-When her mother and younger sister are killed in a house fire, eleven-year-old Cara struggles to find a way to deal with her emotions and to reach out to her grieving father.
- **Trading Places (Claudia Mills)**-When fifth-grade twins, Amy and Todd, tackle a school project, they also have to cope with issues of friendship at school and problems at home, including their father's unemployment.
- **Nim's Island (Wendy Orr)**-Nim loves her island and her animals, but when her father does not return as expected from his scientific experiments, Nim's only source of help may be the new friend she's made via e-mail.
- **Morris and Buddy: The Story of the First Seeing Eye Dog (Becky Hall)**-Morris Frank and a German shepherd named Buddy develop a relationship that leads to the establishment of programs for training seeing eye dogs and laws supporting their use in public places in America.
- **Annie's War (Jaqueline Levering Sullivan)**-After WWII ends, ten-year-old Annie is hospitalized with appendicitis and has imaginary conversations with President Truman which help her cope with the post-war stresses that fill Annie's life at her grandmother's house.
- **The Aurora County All-Stars (Deborah Wiles)**-Recently recovered All-Star pitcher House Jackson is desperate to play ball again, but he may have to reveal a secret about himself to restore harmony, and baseball, to Aurora County, Mississippi.
- **Paint the Wind (Pam Munoz Ryan)**-When her grandmother dies, Maya, a sheltered orphan from California, is forced to move to a family ranch in Wyoming, where she discovers a connection with her mother through a love of horses.

Fifth Grade Summer 2017 Reading List

The following titles are age appropriate books from a variety of genres that are considered to be excellent literature. These stories are recommended by our teachers to feed children's imaginations, fuel their excitement in learning, and nourish their souls during summer vacation. Please select one book to read during summer vacation.

Fiction and Historical Fiction

Summer of the Monkeys by Wilson Rawls
Island of the Blue Dolphins by Scott O'Dell
Where the Mountain Meets the Moon by Grace Lin
Gone-Away Lake by Elizabeth Enright
One and Only Ivan by Katherine Applegate
My Side of the Mountain by Jean Craighead George
A Little Princess by Frances Hodgson Burnett
The Secret Garden by Frances Hodgson Burnett
Early Thunder by Jean Fritz
Caddie Woodlawn by Carol Ryrie Brink
Guns for General Washington: A Story of the American Revolution by Seymour Reit+
Mr. Revere and I by Robert Lawson +
Ben and Me: An Astonishing Life of Benjamin Franklin by His Good Mouse Amos by Robert Lawson +
The Book of Three by Lloyd Alexander
The Phantom Tollbooth by Norton Juster
City of Ember by Jeanne Duprau
Hoot by Carl Hiassen
Ella Enchanted by Gail Carson Levine
The Children's Homer: The Adventures of Odysseus and the Fall of Troy by Padraic Colum
Swiss Family Robinson by Johann David Wyss *
The Wind in the Willows by Kenneth Grahame *
Pinocchio by Carlo Collodi *
At the Back of the North Wind by George MacDonald
Biographies
Ben Franklin of Old Philadelphia by Margaret Cousins + The Great Little Madison by Jean Fritz
Pocahontas and the Strangers by Robert Clyde Bulla John Paul Jones by Sperry Armstrong
Why Not, Lafayette? by Jean Fritz +
Traitor: the Case of Benedict Arnold by Jean Fritz +
Around the World in a Hundred Years by Jean Fritz +
Pocohantas by Ingri and Edgar Parin D'Aulaire
Columbus by Ingri and Edgar Parin D'Aulaire +
Leif the Lucky by Ingri and Edgar Parin D'Aulaire
Benjamin Franklin by Ingri and Edgar +
Daniel Boone: His Own Story by Daniel Boone +
Magellan: Ferdinand Magellan and the First Trip Around the World (Exploring the World) by Michael Burgan +
John Wesley: The World His Parish by Goeff and Jenet Bengé +

* Advanced reading level

+ Pertain to topics that will be studied in history or Literature in the upcoming year

6th Grade Summer Reading List

Please choose one book from this list and write a summary (one page, handwritten or typed). Include the story's major events in order, as well as short descriptions of important characters. Finally, include your thoughts about what you read.

Stargirl (Spinelli)

Maniac Magee (Spinelli)

Crash (Spinelli)

The Wanderer (Creech)

Walk Two Moons (Creech)

Chasing Redbird (Creech)

Love That Dog (Creech)

Jacob Have I Loved (Paterson)

The View From Saturday (Konigsburg)

The Westing Game (Raskin)

Hatchet (Paulsen)

Crispin (Avi)

Esperanza Rising (Ryan)

City of Masks (Hoffman)

Chronicles of Narnia (Lewis)

Book Thief (Zusak)

Phantom Tollbooth (Juster)

The Tale of Despereaux (DiCamillo)

Sarah, Plain and Tall (MacLachlan)

The Witch of Blackbird Pond (Spears)

Echo (Ryan)

The Skin I'm In (Flake)

Stealing Home (Denenberg)

Holes (Sachar)

Just Ella (Haddix)

Indigo (Hoffman)

A Wrinkle in Time (L'Engle)

Caddie Woodlawn (Brink)

My Side of The Mountain (George)

Tangerine (Bloor)

Whipping Boy (Fleishman)

Souder (Armstrong)

Bud, Not Buddy (Curtis)

Shiloh (Naylor)

Old Yeller (Gipson)

Wonder (Palacio)

Because of Winn-Dixie (DiCamillo)

The One and Only Ivan (Applegate)

Number the Stars (Lowry)

Bridge to Terabithia (Paterson)

Girl Who Drank the Moon (Barnhill)

Summer Reading Suggestions for Incoming Seventh Graders

The following books have been read and suggested by current seventh grade students at School of the Madeleine:

The Divergent Series by Veronica Roth

The Island of Dr. Libris by Chris Grabenstein

The *Percy Jackson* series by Rick Riordan

The *Heroes of Olympus* series by Rick Riordan

Gregor the Overlander by Suzanne Collins

Wonder by R.J. Palacio

Out of My Mind by Sharon M. Draper

Tuck Everlasting by Natalie Babbitt

Maniac McGee by Jerry Spinelli

Mike Lupica books

The Witches by Roald Dahl

Stowaway by Karen Hesse

One Hundred Cupboards by N.D. Wilson

Bud, Not Buddy by Christopher Paul Curtis

The Seven Tales of Trinket by Shelley Moore Thomas

Little Women by Louisa May Alcott

12 Finally by Wendy Mass

Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry by Mildred D. Taylor

Among the Hidden series by Margaret Peterson Haddix

The *Land of Stories* series by Chris Colfer and Brandon Dorman

A Mango Shaped Space by Wendy Mass

Brown Girl Dreaming by Jacqueline Woodson

Al Capone Does My Shirts by Gennifer Choldenko

Esperanza Rising by Pam Munoz Ryan

The Maze Runner by James Dashner

8th Grade Summer reading

Read the novel **Animal Farm** by George Orwell.

While reading, please take notes and make sure that you are prepared to take a test on the novel when you return in the fall.

Additionally, **write a two-page, double spaced report** that discusses the connection between the novel and the Russian Revolution. You may wish to choose a few characters and discuss how they are a reference to their historical counterparts. You can find detailed descriptions of these connections at this website:

http://www.newspeakdictionary.com/go-animal_farm.html

Remember that a good report does not focus entirely on plot summary. Instead, make sure that you discuss the similarities and differences you see between the novel and the historical events on which it was based.