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 **KINDERGARTEN**

**2023 REQUIRED SUMMER READING**

**Listed below are books appropriate for students entering Kindergarten.**

Summer reading will help your child continue to develop his/her literacy skills in preparation for kindergarten. Twenty minutes/day is a great goal. The following titles are only suggestions.\*

Please keep a record of the books you read using the attached form. We require that 20 books be read over the summer. Return the form with your child during the first week of school. Prizes will be given for those who meet and/or exceed the minimum requirement!!

CLASSIC FAVORITES:

*Moondance,* by Frank Asch

*Corduroy*, by Don Freeman

*Harold and the Purple Crayon*, by Crockett Johnson

*Can I Keep Him?* by Stephen Kellogg

*The Little Mouse, the Red Ripe Strawberry and the Big Hungry Bear*, by Don Wood

*First Day Jitters*, by Julie Dannerberg

*Where the Wild Things Are*, by Maurice Sendak

*The Story of Ferdinand*, by Munro Leaf

*Tarra and Bella: The Elephant and Dog Who Became Best Friends*, by Carol Buckley

*Stellaluna*, by Janell Cannon

*Chicka Chicka Boom Boom,* by Bill Martin

*Love You Forever*, by Robert Munsch

*Officer Buckle and Gloria*, by Peggy Rathman

SOME OF OUR FAVORITE AUTHORS:

Ted Arnold

Frank Asch

Byron Barton

Norman Birdwell

Jan Brett

Nancy Carlson

Kathy Caple

Alyssa Capucilli

Eric Carle

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James Dean

Lois Ehlert

Mem Fox

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David Martin

Laura Numeroff

Audrey Penn

Jon Sciesca

Dr. Seuss

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Kindergarten Summer Reading Log

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GRADE 1

2023 REQUIRED SUMMER READING

**Listed below are books appropriate for students entering first grade.**

Summer reading will help your child continue to develop his/her literacy skills in preparation for first grade. Twenty minutes/day is a great goal. The following are suggestions only. \*

Please keep a record of the books you read using the attached form. We require that 20 be read over the summer. Return the form with your child during the first week of school. Prizes will be given to those students who meet/exceed the twenty book requirement!!

**FUN FAVORITES:**

*Hi! Fly Guy* by Tedd Arnold

*And I Mean It, Stanley,* by Crosby Bonsall

*Franklin* (series) by Paulette Bourgeois

*Clifford* (series) by Norman Bridewell

*The Very Busy Spider*, by Eric Carle

*How I Became a Pirate*, by Melinda Long

*Dinosaur Time*, by Peggy Parish

*Rainbow Fish* (series) by Marcus Pfister

*A Bad Case of the Stripes*, by David Shannon

*Nate the Great* (series) by Marjorie Weinman Sharmat

*Morris the Moose* (series) by Bernard Weisman

**LEARNING TO READ SERIES:**

Hello Reader!

I Can Read Books

Puffin Easy-to-Read

Step Into Reading Levels 1-4

*Little Bear,* by Else Holmelund Minarik

**ALPHABET BOOKS:**

*Tarra and Bella: The Elephant and Dog Who Became Best Friends*, by Carol Buckley

*Stellaluna*, by Janell Cannon

*The Story of Ferdinand*, by Munro Leaf

*Chicka Chicka Boom Boom,* by Bill Martin

*Love You Forever*, by Robert Munsch

*Officer Buckle and Gloria*, by Peggy Rathman

**MATH IN PICTURE BOOKS:**

*Greedy Triangle*, by Marilyn Burns

*Ten Dots*, by Donald Crews

*When Sheep Cannot Sleep,* by Satoshi Kitamura

*One Potato: A Counting Book of Potato Prints*, by Diana Pomeroy

*How Much Is a Million*, by David M. Schwartz

*Ten Sly Piranhas: A Counting Book in Reverse*, by William Wise

**CLASSICS TO READ TO A FIRST GRADER:**

*The Little House*, by Virginia Lee Burton

*Make Way for Ducklings*, by Robert Closkey

*When Will I Read,* by Miriam Cohen

*Harold and the Purple Crayon*, by Crockett Johnson

*Leo the Late Bloomer*, by Robert Kraus

**CALDECOTT AWARDS & HONOR BOOKS:**

*A Story, A Story*, by Gail E. Haley

*Owen,* by Kevin Henkes

*Alphabet City*, by Stephen Johnson

*Ahanti to Zulu: African Traditions*, by Margaret Musgrove

*The Hello, Goodbye Window*, by Norton Juster & Chris Raschka

*The Polar Express*, by Chris Van Allsburg

**NONFICTION:**

*Art Dog*, by Thatcher Hurd

*Whales and Dolphins*, by Connie Roop

*Snowflake Bentley*, by Jacqueline Briggs Martin

*Hurricane,* by David Wiesner

National Geographic Series

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Grade 1 - Summer Reading Log

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GRADE 2

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Summer reading will help your child continue to develop his/her literacy skills in preparation for first grade. Twenty minutes/day is a great goal. The following are suggestions only. \*

Please keep a record of the books you read using the attached form. We require that 15 books be read over the summer. Return the form with your child during the first week of school. Prizes will be given to those who meet/exceed the fifteen book requirement!!

**FAVORITE TITLES:**

*Miss Daisy is Crazy* by Dan Gutman

*How to Talk to Your Dog,* by Jean Craighead George

*American, Patriot Primer,* by Lynne Cheney

*A-Z Mysteries*, by Ron Roy

**FAVORITE SERIES:**

Magic Tree House, Mary Pope Osbourne

Rainbow Magic, Daisy Meadow

Cam Jansen, David Adler

Poppleton Series, Cynthia Rylant

Judy Moody Series, Megan McDaniels

Fancy Nancy: Nancy Clancy, Jane O’Connor

My Weird School, Dan Gutman

Mercy Watson, Kate DiCamillo

Flat Stanley, Jeff Brown

Amelia Bedelia, Peggy Parish

**NONFICTION SERIES:**

Magic School Bus, Joanna Cole

Magic Tree House Fact Checker Series

Let’s Read and Find Out

Who Was

I Am, Brad Meltzer

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Grade 2 Summer Reading Log

I read the books listed below with my son/daughter during the summer. Fifteen books required.

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**GRADE 3**

**2023 REQUIRED SUMMER READING**
**Listed below are books appropriate for students entering third grade.**

Summer reading will help your child continue to develop his/her literacy skills in preparation for third grade. Twenty minutes/day is a great goal. The following are suggestions only. \*

Please keep a record of the books you read using the attached form. We require that 10 books be read over the summer. Return the form with your child during the first week of school. Prizes will be given for those who meet and/or exceed the ten book requirement!!

**FAVORITE TITLES:**

*Jake Drake Bully* by Andrew Clements

*Third Grade Angels,* by Jerry Spinelli

*Charlotte’s Web,* by E.B. White

*Because of Winn Dixie,* by Kate DiCamillo

*Whale of a Story*, Buddy Davis

**FAVORITE SERIES:**

Jeff Corwin (Junior Explorer Series)

Beverly Cleary books

Boxcar Children Mysteries

Johanna Hurwitz books

Matt Christopher books

Geronimo Stilton

Encyclopedia Brown

American Girl

Leonore Look (Alvin Ho Series)

Sarah Weeks (Oggie Cooder Series)

**NONFICTION, HISTORICAL FICTION & POETRY SERIES:**

Who Was/Who Is Biography series

National Geographic Kids Chapters (Tiger in Trouble, Dog Finds Lost Dolphin, Ape Escapes)

Totally True Adventures: Titanic Sinks

Totally True Adventures: Babe Ruth and the Baseball Curse

I Survived series, Lauren Tarshis

Shel Silverstein

Jack Prelutsky

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Grade 3 Summer Reading Log

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**GRADE 4**

**2023 REQUIRED SUMMER READING**

We love reading in the 4th grade, and we want to challenge you to take reading to a whole new level this summer. A variety of genres chosen by students will promote a diversity of interests within our community of learners. Let’s begin with some fun challenges to make reading come alive! We hope that you enjoy this reading log to help you unlock adventure and mystery for your summer reading challenge.
Happy Reading!

**Directions:**There are 15 challenge choices listed on the next page. Please complete a combination of 10 challenges this summer. You may repeat a challenge up to three times. You do not have to do every challenge. As you complete each challenge, keep track of your progress by having an adult initial a picture and then you color it in.

Please also write a reflection paragraph (at least 5-7 sentences) for any 3 challenges. Reflections can include the following: when/where the challenge took place, if you read to anyone, what you read, any thoughts on what your read, overall experience with challenge, etc. Reflections can be written on the same sheet of paper. Please attach the finished product to your Reading Challenge paper.

Return to your 4th grade teacher on the first day of school to receive a reward for completing this Summer Reading Challenge.

**Fiction Selection**

* Students may read ANY books from the “I Survived” Series by Lauren Tarshis

**Nonfiction Selection**

* Any biography from the “Childhood of Famous Americans” series. Example: *Walt Disney: Young Movie Maker*, by Marie Hammontree
* Any biography from the “Who Was” or “Who Is” series. Example: Who Was Ben Franklin, by Denise Fradin



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**Grade 4 Book Reflection**

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**GRADE 5**

**2023 REQUIRED SUMMER READING**

We are extremely excited about our upcoming year together! First, we pray that each of you have an incredibly fun and safe summer. You all deserve a break from the hard work you did in fourth grade. Second, in fifth grade you will be required to read most nights for a certain amount of time, so what better way to kick off the new school year than with a summer reading activity!

You will be required to complete 7 challenges. Each challenge includes reading and a written reflection paragraph to tell us about your challenge. After you complete each challenge, make sure to get a guardian’s initials. Do not forget to bring your initialed summer reading sheet and all 7 written reflections on the first day of school.

You are going to do GREAT!
Happy Reading!

**Must Read—**choose your gender book\*The Boys Who Changed the World by Andy Andrews
\*Girls Who Changed the World by Michelle Roehm McCann

**Biography Assignment:**

The “Who Was” series is a terrific choice, but not the only choice. Also check out the DK Biography series.

1. Create a list of five facts that you learned from reading the nonfiction book.
2. Write a paragraph (5-7 sentences) about the book, especially your favorite part. Include whether you would recommend this book to others. Write neatly and use complete sentences. Spelling and grammar count.

Choice Author Suggestion List

**The following are suggested authors\***

Dan Gutman Ann M. Martin C.S. Lewis

Jerry Spinelli Gordon Korman Madeleine L’Engle

Andrew Clements EL Konigsburg Michael Buckley

Matt Christopher Roald Dahl

Rick Riordan Paula Danzinger

Meg Cabot J.K. Rowling

Mike Lupica Louis Sachar

Judy Blume Beverly Cleary



Summer Reading Challenge
5th Grade Reading List

**Some Classic/New Favorites**I Am the Ice Wormby MaryAnn Easley
Hatchet*,* by Gary Paulsen
The Light Princess, by George McDonald
The Phantom Tollbooth, by Norton Juster
Number the Stars, by Lois Lowry
The Top 10 Ways to Ruin the First Day of 5th Grade, by Kenneth Derby
The Pepins and Their Problems, by Polly Horvath
The Secret Garden by frances Hodgson Burnet
On the Wings of Heroes by Rchard Beck
From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler by E.L. Konigsburg
Maniac Magee by Jerry Spinelli
Pollyanna, by Eleanor Porter
Hans Brinker or the Silver Skates by Mary Mapes Dodge
Sir Cumference and the First Round Table: A Math Adventure by Cindy Neushwander
Show: Don’t Tell! Secrets of Writing by Josephine Nobisso
The Grapes of Math by Gregory Tang
Amazing Leonardo da Vinci Inventions You Can Build Yourself by Maxine Anderson
Pirateology by Captain Willia Lubber



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**Grade 5 Book Reflection**

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**GRADE 6**

**2023 REQUIRED SUMMER READING**

We are extremely excited about our upcoming year together! First, we pray that each of you have an incredibly fun and safe summer. You all deserve a break from the hard work you did in fifth grade. Second, in sixth grade you will be required to read most nights for a certain amount of time, so what better way to kick off the new school year than with a summer reading activity!

You will be required to complete 7 challenges. Each challenge includes reading and a written reflection paragraph to tell us about your challenge. After you complete each challenge, make sure to get a guardian’s initials. Do not forget to bring your initialed summer reading sheet and all 7 written reflections on the first day of school.

You are going to do GREAT!
Happy Reading!

**Must Read—**choose your gender book\*The Boys Who Changed the World by Andy Andrews
\*Girls Who Changed the World by Michelle Roehm McCann

**Biography Assignment:**

The “Who Was” series is a terrific choice, but not the only choice. Also check out the DK Biography series.

1. Create a list of five facts that you learned from reading the nonfiction book.
2. Write a paragraph (5-7 sentences) about the book, especially your favorite part. Include whether you would recommend this book to others. Write neatly and use complete sentences. Spelling and grammar count.

Choice Author Suggestion List

**The following are suggested authors\***

Dan Gutman Ann M. Martin Judy Blume

Jerry Spinelli Gordon Korman C.S. Lewis

Andrew Clements EL Konigsburg Beverly Cleary

Matt Christopher Roald Dahl Madeleine L’Engle

Rick Riordan Paula Danzinger Michael Buckley

Meg Cabot J.K. Rowling

Mike Lupica Louis Sachar

 Madeleine L’Engle
 Michael Buckley



Summer Reading Challenge
6th Grade Reading List

**Some Classic/New Favorites**Old Yeller by Fred Gibson
Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm by Kate Douglas Wiggin
Little Women by Louisa May Alcott
Little Men by Louisa May Alcott
The Adventures of Tom Sawyer by Mark Twain
The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn by Mark Twain
Treasure Island by Robert Louis Stevenson
Anne of Green Gables (series) by L. M. Montgomery
The Swiss Family Robinson by Johann Wyss
A Wrinkle in Time by Madeleine L’Engle
Bridge to Terabithia by Katherine Paterson
Tuck Everlasting, by Natalie Babbitt
The Wizard of Oz by Frank L Baum
Black Beauty by Anna Sewell
Joni by Joni Eareckson Tada
Animal Farm by George Orwell
The Fellowship of the Ring (series) by J.R.R. Tolkien



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**Grade 6 Book Reflection**

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**GRADE 7-8**

**2023 REQUIRED SUMMER READING**

The purpose of summer reading is to encourage all students to read over the summer, to enrich learning, and provoke thought while fostering a love for reading. Variety of genres chosen by students will promote a diversity of interests within our community of learners.

There are 3 parts to this summer reading project. We want you to read what interests you. Hopefully you will enjoy this project and possibly even try reading something new.

1. Choice Board—select at least 20 different options. It is possible to color 2 of the clouds at one time as you read. Be creative and think outside of the box. A few options require you to bring something back to school. Make sure your parent initials each cloud you complete.
2. Reading Log—record anything that you read in the reading log. We will be using that information during our first week of school. Have your parent sign the bottom of your book log before you turn it in.
3. Take at least one photo of you completing one of the “clouds”. Make sure you are in the photo, print it, and bring it to the first day of school.



**Summer Reading Challenge
7-8th Grade Reading List**

**Some Classic/New Favorites**To Kill A Mockingbird by Harper Lee
Around the World in 80 Days by Jules Verne
White Fang by Jack London
A Tee Grows in Brooklyn by Betty Smith
Robinson Crusoe by Daniel Defoe
Oliver Twist by Charles Dickens
The Outsiders by S.E. Hinton
The Yearling by Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings
One Few Over the Cuckoo’s Nest by Ken Kesey
A Tale of Two Cities by Charles Dickens
Dragonwings by Laurence Yep
The War of the Worlds by H.G. Wells
The Three Musketeers by Alexandre Dumas
The Federalist Papers Alexander Hamilton et al
Perelandra by C.S. Lewis
Kidnapped by Robert Lewis Stevenson
The Screwtape Letters by C.S. Lewis
Ivanhoe by Sir Walter Scott
Gulliver’s Travels by Jonathan Swift
The Hiding Place by Corrie ten Boom
The Sword in the Stone by T.H. White
Flags of Our Fathers by James Bradley
Cheaper by the Dozen by Gilbreth and Carey
A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur’s Court by Mark Twain
Ben Hur by Lew Wallace
Out of the Dust by Karen Hesse
The Lightning Thief (Percy Jackson and the Olympians #1) by Rick Riordan
2001, A Space Odyssey by Arthur C. Clarke
I Am Malala by Malala Yousafzai
Frankenstein by Mary Shelley
The One and Only Future King by T.H. White

