Summer Reading List

Suggested books for Pre-kindergarten students entering Kindergarten

1. Pete the Cat: Rocking in My School Shoes by: Eric Litwin
2. Chrysanthemum by: Kevin Henkes*****
3. Stone Soup by: Marcia Brown
4. Miss Bindergarten Gets Ready for Kindergarten by: Joseph Slate*****
5. The Kissing Hand by: Audrey Penn
6. The Night Before Kindergarten by: Natasha Wing
7. Ten Little Fish by: Audrey Wood
8. It's Mine by Leo Lionni*****
9. Who Will Be My Friends? By Syd Hoff*****
10. Tops and Bottoms by:Janet Stevens
11. The Mixed Up Chameleon by Eric Carle*****
12. Elephant and Piggie Series by: Mo Willems
13. Click Clack Moo: Cows That Type by: Doreen Cronin
14. Olivia by: Ian Falconer
15. Make Way for Ducklings by: Robert McCloskey
16. It Looked Like Spilt Milk by: Charles Green Shaw
17. Henry and Mudge Series by: Cynthia Rylant*****
18. Little Critter Series by: Mercer Mayer*****
19. I Like Me! by: Nancy Carlson
20. Armadilly Chili by: Helen Ketteman
21. Harold and the Purple Crayon by: Crockett Johnson
22. Rainbow Fish by: Marcus Pfister
23. The Ugly Duckling by: Hans Christian Andersen
24. Leo the Late Bloomer by: Robert Kraus
25. Biscuit by: Alyssa Satin Capucilli*****

*****Any books by an author with stars next to their name are great

Sail Into First Grade

Summer Reading List

Your child has been working so hard throughout the school year. It's time to sail into summer and get ready for 1st grade. Children can actually forget what they've learned throughout the school year during the summer months. To help your child retain all the wonderful skills s/he has learned this year, help him/her to practice reading. This list has some fun summer themed books your child might like to read.

Books For Child To Practice Reading

Big Shark, Little Shark by Anna Membrino
Pete The Cat: Pete At The Beach by James Dean
Pete The Cat: Play Ball by James Dean
Pete The Cat: Scuba Cat by James Dean
Biscuit Goes Camping by Alyssa Satin Capucilli
Biscuit In The Garden by Alyssa Satin Capucilli
Biscuit's First Beach Day by Alyssa Satin Capucilli
Mouse's First Summer by Lauren Thompson
The Berenstain Bears: The Bears' Picnic by Stan and Jan Berenstain
The Berentain Bears: The Bears' Vacation by Stan and Jan Berenstain
The Berenstain Bears: The Bike Lesson by Stan and Jan Berenstain
The Best Nest by P.D. Eastman
Sam and the Firefly by P.D. Eastman
Fred and Ted Go Camping by Peter Eastman
Olivia Goes Camping by Alex Harvey

Books For Adult To Read To Child

Summertime In The Big Woods by Laura Ingalls Wilder
Swimmy by Leo Lionni
Chicka Chicka Boom Boom by Bill Martin Jr. and John Archambault
The Rainbow Fish by Marcus Pfister
Enemy Pie by Derek Munson
The Wonderful Things You Will Be by Emily Winfield Martin
The Gruffalo by Julia Donaldson
Superworm by Julia Donaldson
S is for S'mores: A Camping Alphabet by Helen Foster James
The Berenstain Bears Go To Camp by Stan and Jan Berenstain

Created by Lindsay Whitman Drewes for Simply Kinder

2nd Grade

Students are required to read one nonfiction book by **Gail Gibbons**. She has a multitude of titles covering topics ranging from sports to insects and everything in between. All local libraries carry her books as well as all bookstores.

They should also read a fictional chapter book of their choice.

The following are some suggestions to choose from:

A to Z Mysteries
Junie B. Jones
The Magic Tree House
Calendar Mysteries
Rainbow Magic Fairies
Amelia Bedelia

OUR LADY OF LOURDES
SUMMER READING LIST
ENTERING GRADE 3

Fiction

Series

- Amber Brown, *Paula Danzinger* (3.3-4.2)
- Bailey School Kids, *Debbie Dadey* (3.2-5.1)
- Magic Tree House, *Mary Pope Osborne* (2.2-4.0)
- Babysitters Club, *Ann Martin* (3.3-5.5)
- Ramona, *Beverly Cleary* (2.6-5.4)
- Time Warp Trio, *Jon Scieszka* (2.9-5.3)
- Wayside School, *Louis Sachar* (3.3-5.1)

Dear Mr. Henshaw, *Beverly Cleary* (4.7)
Chicken Sunday, *Patricia Polacco* (4.8)
Freckle Juice, *Judy Blume* (3.6)
Hatchet, *Gary Paulsen* (5.7)
Brian's Winter, *Gary Paulsen* (7.3)
Charlotte's Web, *E.B. White* (4.4)
Just Juice, *Karen Hesse* (3.5)
Mr. Popper's Penguins, *Richard Atwater* (4.9)
Baseball Saved Us, *Ken Mochizuki* (4.1)
Chocolate Fever, *Robert Smith* (4.8)
Shiloh, *Phyllis Reynolds Naylor* (4.4)
The Whipping Boy, *Sid Fleischman* (4.0)
How to Eat Fried Worms, *Sid Fleischman* (3.5)
Too Many Tamales, *Gary Soto* (4.2)
Tar Beach, *Faith Ringgold* (2.9)
The Chocolate Touch, *Patrick Skene Catling* (4.5)
Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, *Roald Dahl* (5.9)
Fantastic Mr. Fox, *Roald Dahl* (4.9)
The Twits, *Roald Dahl* (5.2)

Non-Fiction

Series

- Who Was/What Was, *Various Authors* (3.3-5.8)
- Magic School Bus, *Joanna Cole* (2.2-5.5)
- Lost...And Found, *Judy Donnelly* (2.5-4.9)
- I Survived..., *Lauren Tarshis* (2.4-4.7)
- *Any Book By Seymour Simon* (3.5-7.3)
- Any Book By *Jean Fritz* (4.2-8.1)
- Any Book By *Margaret Davidson* (2.8-4.5)
- If You..., *Anne Kamma* (3.7-4.3)
- You Wouldn't Want To..., *Fiona MacDonald* (4.4-6.8)
- National Geographic Readers Level 3 or Higher, *Laura Marsh* (3.4-4.3)

Ant Cities, *Arthur Dorros* (3.1)
Balto and the Great Race, *Elizabeth Kimmel* (3.5)
Brainstorm, *Tom Tucker* (6.1)
All for the Better, *Nicholasa Mohr* (3.8)
The Many Lives of Benjamin Franklin, *Aliki* (3.6)
A Medieval Feast, *Aliki* (4.3)
How a House is Built, *Gail Gibbons* (3.1)
Pompeii – Buried Alive! *Edith Kunhartz*
Walking the Road to Freedom, *Jeri Ferris* (5.8)
The Land I Lost, *Quang Huynh* (6.9)
Water Buffalo Days, *Quang Huynh* (6.8)
The Story of Ruby Bridges, *Robert Coles* (5.4)
Jackie Robinson and the Story of All-Black Baseball, *Jim O'Connor* (4.3)

Summer Reading 2022

4th Grade

Incoming students MUST read the novel *Stewart Little* by E.B. White. Students are encouraged to take notes as they read. There will be a test in September, and notes will be allowed on the test.

Description: Stuart Little is a mouse in the family of the Frederick C. Littles and is a pleasantly debonair little character, with a shy, engaging manner and a somewhat philosophical turn of mind. He is a great help around the house, and everybody except Snowbell the cat likes him a great deal. In spite of his small size, Stuart gets around a good bit in the world, riding a Fifth Avenue bus with some aplomb, racing (and winning in) a sailboat in Central Park, teaching school for a day, and so on. His size -- just over two inches -- does give him some trouble now and then, like the time he was rolled up in the window shade, or when he got dumped into a garbage scow. But on the whole his life is a happy one. His great adventure comes when, at the age of seven, he sets out in the world to seek his dearest friend, Margalo, a beautiful little bird. Stuart Little, small in size only, has the adventurousness, the great purpose, and the indomitable spirit of a heroic figure,

MIDDLE SCHOOL SUMMER READING REQUIREMENT
Summer 2022

We are happy to announce this summer's reading requirement for Grades 5, 6, 7 and 8. Students are expected to read the book that has been assigned for the grade they will be entering in September. Students are encouraged to take notes as they read, because these notes may be used for the test in September. Happy reading!

Grade 5: "The Lions of Little Rock" by Kristin Levine

"Twelve-year-old Marlee doesn't have many friends until she meets Liz, the new girl at school. Liz is bold and brave, and always knows the right thing to say, especially to Sally, the resident mean girl. Liz even helps Marlee overcome her greatest fear, speaking, which Marlee never does outside her family.

But then Liz is gone, replaced by the rumor that she was a Negro girl passing as white. But Marlee decides that doesn't matter. Liz is her best friend. And to stay friends, Marlee and Liz are willing to take on integration and the dangers their friendship could bring to both their families."
(Common Sense Media)

Grade 6: "The Crossover" by Kwame Alexander

"Josh Bell and his 12-year old twin brother Jordan are awesome on the court. But Josh has more than basketball in his blood, he's got mad beats, too, that tell his family's story in verse, in this fast and furious middle grade novel of family and brotherhood.

Josh and Jordan must come to grips with growing up on and off the court to realize breaking the rules comes at a terrible price, as their story's heart-stopping climax proves a game-changer for the entire family."
(Common Sense Media)

Grade 7: "The Bridge Home" by Padma Venkatraman

"When Viji and her sister, Rukku, whose developmental disability makes her overly trusting and vulnerable to the perils of the world, run away to live on their own, the situation could not be more grim. Life on the streets of the teeming city of Chennai is harsh for girls considered outcasts, but the sisters manage to find shelter on an abandoned bridge. There they befriend Muthi and Arul, two boys in a similar predicament, and the four children bond together and form a family of sorts.

Viji starts working with the boys scavenging in trash heaps while Rukku makes bead necklaces, and they buy food with what little money they earn. They are often hungry and scared but they have each other--and Kutti, the best dog ever. When the kids are forced from their safe haven on the bridge, they take shelter in a graveyard.

But it is now the rainy season and they are plagued by mosquitos, and Rukku and Muthu fall ill. As their symptoms worsen, Viji and Arul must decide whether to risk going for help--when most

and his story, funny and tender and by turns, will be read, re-read, and loved by young and old.

Optional Reading includes:

I Survived series by Lauren Tarshis
The Magic Treehouse series by Mary Pope Osborne
The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe by C.S. Lewis
Little House on the Prairie by Laura Ingalls Wilder
The Mouse and the Motorcycle by Beverly Cleary

adults in their lives have proven themselves untrustworthy--or to continue holding on to their fragile, hard-fought freedom." (Kirkus Reviews)

Grade 8: "Becoming Kareem: Growing Up On and Off the Court" by Kareem Abdul-Jabbar

"At one time, Lew Alcindor was just another kid from New York City with all the usual problems: He struggled with fitting in, with pleasing a strict father, and with overcoming shyness that made him feel socially awkward. But with a talent for basketball, and an unmatched team of supporters, Lew Alcindor was able to transform and to become Kareem Abdul-Jabbar." (Kirkus Reviews)