

Wallingford-Swarthmore School District Elementary Summer Reading List

Dear Readers,

It is important for you to continue to read all summer long. Not only will your reading take you on many exciting adventures, but the more you practice reading the better reader you will become. We've included many new, award-winning books for your reading pleasure. Be sure to pick books that are just right for you. When you first pick a book, there should only be a few words on each page that you don't know. If you happen to pick a book that is too difficult to read by yourself, ask someone to read it with you or to you.

Have a wonderful summer and enjoy reading!

The District Elementary Reading Specialists and Librarians

WSSD Elementary Reading List

Summer Before Second Grade

Fiction:

Broach, Elise	<i>When Dinosaurs Came With Everything</i>
Buehner, Caralyn	<i>Superdog: The Heart of a Hero</i>
Cronin, Doreen	<i>Diary of a Spider</i>
Falconer, Ian	<i>Olivia</i>
Grey, Mini	<i>Traction Man is Here</i>
Harrington, Janice N.	<i>The Chicken Chasing Queen of Lamar County</i>
Howe, James	<i>Horace and Morris Say Cheese</i>
Keller, Holly	<i>Help! The Story of Friendship</i>
Kraus, Robert	<i>Whose Mouse Are You?</i>
Lies, Brian	<i>Bats at the Library</i>
Long, Melinda	<i>How I Became a Pirate</i>
Maloney, Peter	<i>The Magic Hockey Stick</i>
Perkins, Lynne Rae	<i>Pictures From Our Vacation</i>
Schachner, Judith	<i>Skippyjon Jones</i>
Sis, Peter	<i>Madlenka</i>
Watt, Melanie	<i>Scaredy Squirrel</i>
Willems, Mo	<i>Naked Mole Rat Gets Dressed</i>
Wyeth, Sharon Dennis	<i>Something Beautiful</i>

Series:

Cazet, Denys	<i>Minnie and Moo</i>
Chaconas, Dori	<i>Cork and Fuzz</i>
Cosby, Bill	<i>Little Bill</i>
Cushman, Doug	<i>Dirk Bones; Inspector Hopper</i>
Danziger, Paula	<i>A is for Amber</i>
DiCamillo, Kate	<i>Mercy Watson</i>
Howe, James	<i>Pinky and Rex</i>
Rylant, Cynthia	<i>Henry and Mudge</i>
Sharmat, Marjorie	<i>Nate the Great</i>
Van Leeuwen, Jean	<i>Amanda Pig</i>
Willems, Mo	<i>Knuffle Bunny; Knuffle Bunny Too: A Case of Mistaken Identity</i>

Nonfiction:

Agee, Jon	<i>Orangutan Tongs</i>
Chin, Jason	<i>Redwoods</i>
Clements, Andrew	<i>Dogku</i>
Myron, Vicki	<i>Dewey: There's a Cat in the Library</i>
Pfeffer, Wendy	<i>Life in a Coral Reef</i>
Prelutsky, Jack	<i>Read-Aloud Rhymes for the Very Young</i>
Ryder, Joanne	<i>Panda Kindergarten</i>
Sidman, Joyce	<i>Red Sings From Treetops: A Year in Colors</i>
Sweet, Melissa	<i>A Place for Birds</i>
Ziefert, Harriet	<i>One Red Apple</i>

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Summer Before Third Grade

Fiction:

Allard, Harry	<i>Miss Nelson is Missing</i>
Cameron, Ann	<i>Gloria Rising</i>
DiCamillo, Kate	<i>Louise: the Adventures of a Chicken</i>
Fleischman, Paul	<i>Weslandia</i>
Jenkins, Emily	<i>Toys Go Out</i>
Knutson, Barbara	<i>Love and Roast Chicken</i>
Manushkin, Fran	<i>The Shivers in the Fridge</i>
Myers, Walter Dean	<i>Looking Like Me</i>
O'Malley, Kevin	<i>Captain Raptor and the Space Pirates</i>
Oppel, Kenneth	<i>The King's Taster</i>
Poydar, Nancy	<i>Fish School</i>
Samuels, Barbara	<i>Dolores Meets Her Match</i>
Shannon, David	<i>A Bad Case of Stripes</i>
Spinelli, Eileen	<i>Miss Fox's Class Goes Green</i>
Steig, William	<i>Sylvester and the Magic Pebble</i>
Stevens, Janet	<i>Jackalope</i>
Watt, Melanie	<i>Chester</i>

Series:

Adler, David	<i>Cam Jansen</i>
Barrows, Annie	<i>Ivy and Bean</i>
Cameron, Ann	<i>Stories Julian Tells</i>
Hicks, Betty	<i>Gym Shorts</i>
Lowry, Lois	<i>Gooney Bird Greene</i>
Lumry, Amanda	<i>Adventures of Riley</i>
McDonald, Megan	<i>Judy Moody; Stink</i>
Nolan, Lucy	<i>Down Girl and Sit</i>
Osborne, Mary Pope	<i>Magic Tree House</i>
Pennypacker, Sara	<i>Flat Stanley's Worldwide Adventures</i>
Roy, Ron	<i>A-Z Mysteries</i>
Various	<i>Arthur Chapter Books</i>

Nonfiction

Coppendale, Jean	<i>The Great Big Book of Mighty Machines</i>
Cousins, Lucy	<i>Yummy: Eight Favorite Fairy Tales</i>
Davies, Jacqueline	<i>Unite or Die: How Thirteen States Became a Nation</i>
Florian, Douglas	<i>Bow Wow Meow Meow</i>
George, Jean Craighead	<i>The Wolves are Back</i>
Jenkins, Steve	<i>Never Smile at a Monkey</i>
Kajikawa, Kimiko	<i>Tsunami</i>
Levine, Robert	<i>The Story of the Orchestra</i>
Nic Bishop	<i>Butterflies and Moths; Spiders; Frogs</i>
Pallotta, Jerry	<i>The Flower Alphabet Book</i>
Raffin, Deborah	<i>Mitzi's World</i>

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Summer Before Fourth Grade

Fiction:

Balliett, Blue	<i>Chasing Vermeer</i>
Davies, Jacqueline	<i>The Lemonade War</i>
DiCamillo, Kate	<i>The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane</i>
Fleischman, Paul	<i>The Dunderheads</i>
Fleming, Candace	<i>The Fabled Fourth Graders of Aesop Elementary School</i>
Frederick, Heather Vogel	<i>Spy Mice: For Your Paws Only</i>
Funke, Cornelia	<i>Igraine the Brave</i>
Hill, Kirkpatrick	<i>The Year of Miss Agnes</i>
Kerby, Mona	<i>Owney the Mail-Pouch Pooch</i>
Levine, Ellen	<i>Henry's Freedom Box: A True Story from the Underground Railroad</i>
Lubar, David	<i>Punished</i>
Marsden, Carolyn	<i>The Gold Threaded Dress; Silk Umbrellas</i>
Nagda, Ann Whitehead	<i>Dear Whiskers</i>
Polacco, Patricia	<i>Thank You, Mr. Falker</i>
Selznick, Brian	<i>The Invention of Hugo Cabret</i>
Yee, Lisa	<i>Bobby vs. Girls (Accidentally)</i>

Series:

Amoto, Mary	<i>Riot Brothers</i>
Butler, Dori Hillestad	<i>The Buddy Files</i>
Colfer, Eoin	<i>Legend of Spud Murphy</i>
English, Karen	<i>Nikki and Deja</i>
Friedman, Laurie B.	<i>Mallory</i>
Gutman, Dan	<i>Baseball Card Adventures</i>
Holm, Jennifer	<i>Babymouse</i>
Howe, James	<i>Bunnicula</i>
Knudson, Jack	<i>Raymond and Graham</i>
Look, Lenore	<i>Alvin Ho</i>
Rodda, Emily	<i>Fairy Realm</i>
Salisbury, Graham	<i>Calvin Coconut</i>
Sobol, Donald	<i>Encyclopedia Brown</i>
Winkler, Henry	<i>Hank Zipzer</i>

Nonfiction:

Arnosky, Jim	<i>Slither and Crawl</i>
Deedy, Carmen Agra	<i>Martina the Beautiful Cockroach</i>
Dennis, Major Brian	<i>Nubs: The True Story of a Mutt, a Marine & a Miracle</i>
Goodman, Susan	<i>Skyscraper: From the Ground Up</i>
Hughes, Langston	<i>My People</i>
Krull, Kathleen	<i>The Boy Who Invented TV: The Story of Philo Farnsworth</i>
Rappaport, Doreen	<i>Eleanor, Quiet no More</i>
Sturm, James	<i>Adventures in Cartooning: How to Turn Your Doodles into Comics</i>
Weitzman, David	<i>Pharoah's Boat</i>
Winter, Jonah	<i>You Never Heard of Sandy Koufax?!</i>
Worth, Valerie	<i>Animal Poems</i>

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Summer Before Fifth Grade

Fiction:

Barber, Ronde and Tiki	<i>Kickoff</i>
Berlin, Eric	<i>The Puzzling World of Winston Breen</i>
Birdsall, Jeanna	<i>The Penderwicks: A Summer of Four Sisters, Two Rabbits and a Very Interesting Boy</i>
Broach, Elise	<i>Masterpiece</i>
Clements, Andrew	<i>Benjamin Pratt & the Keepers of the School</i>
Clements, Andrew	<i>No Talking</i>
Creech, Sharon	<i>Ruby Holler</i>
Curtis, Christopher Paul	<i>Bud, Not Buddy</i>
DiCamillo, Kate	<i>Tale of Despereaux</i>
Ibbotson, Eva	<i>The Star of Kazan</i>
Levine, Gail Carson	<i>Ella Enchanted</i>
Lynne, Janell	<i>Emmy and the Incredible Shrinking Rat</i>
Mass, Wendy	<i>11 Birthdays</i>
McGhee, Alison	<i>Julia Gillian (and the Art of Knowing)</i>
O'Connor, Barbara	<i>How to Steal a Dog</i>
Ryan, Pam Munoz	<i>Becoming Naomi Leon</i>
Teague, Mark	<i>The Doom Machine</i>
Yee, Lisa	<i>Millicent Min, Girl Genius</i>

Series:

Baker, E.D.	<i>Tales of the Frog Princess</i>
Bosch, Pseudonymous	<i>Terces Society Mysteries</i>
Collins, Suzanne	<i>Gregor the Overlander</i>
Holm, Jennifer	<i>Boston Jane</i>
Horowitz, Anthony	<i>Diamond Brothers Mysteries</i>
Sanderson, Brandon	<i>Alcatraz</i>
Stewart, Trenton Lee	<i>The Mysterious Benedict Society</i>
Stone, Jeff	<i>Five Ancestors</i>

Nonfiction:

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Chaiken, Andrew	<i>Mission Control, This is Apollo: The Story of the First Voyages to the Moon</i>
Cherry, Lynne	<i>How We Know What We Know About Our Changing Climate: Scientists and Kids Explore Global Warming</i>
Fraden, Denis	<i>Duel! Burr and Hamilton's Deadly War of Words</i>
Hopkins, Lee Bennett	<i>My America</i>
Jackson, Donna M.	<i>Extreme Scientists: Exploring Nature's Mysteries from Perilous Places</i>
Jenczko, Paul	<i>Top Secret: A Handbook of Codes, Ciphers, and Secret Writing</i>
Leedy, Loreen	<i>There's a Frog in My Throat: 440 Animal Sayings</i>
Nelson, Kadir	<i>We Are the Ship: The Story of Negro League Baseball</i>
Nelson, Vaundra Micheaux	<i>Bad News for Outlaws: The Remarkable Life of Bass Reeves, Deputy U.S. Marshall</i>
Nobleman, Marc Tyler	<i>Boys of Steel: The Creators of Superman</i>
Prelutsky, Jack	<i>My Dog is a Genius</i>