

SUMMER READING LISTS

(Grade level is for the 2021 – 2022 school year)

Due to the current safety protocols and sanitation of the school, the office will not be open for Accelerated Reader tests this summer. The students will take AR tests from home. Please go to [AR Reading Quizzes Renaissance](#) and enter your student ID and password. Please let us know if you have difficulty securing a copy of a book to read and we will work with you to obtain one.

Rising 2nd Grade

Please pick 3 books from the suggestions. Read the book and take the AR test. If you can't take the AR test, write a summary about the characters, setting and what happened in the story. You can choose any books from 1.2 AR level to 3.0 AR level. If you check www.arbookfind.com it will tell you the level and if the book is an AR book.

Some suggestions are:

- Arthur books by Marc Brown
- books by Syd Hoff Babar
- books by Laurent de Brunhoff
- Henry and Mudge books by Cynthia Rylant
- Amelia Bedelia books by Peggy Parish

Please do not read books by these authors if you can help it.

- We will read many of these books during 2nd grade as a class:
- Ready Freddy books by Abby Klein
- Magic Tree House books by Mary Pope Osborne (especially Thanksgiving on Thursday)
- Muggie Maggie by Beverly Cleary
- Freckle Juice by Judy Blume
- The Princess in Black books by Shannon Hale
- The Mercy Watson books by Chris Van Dusen

Rising 3rd Grade

(Summer reading suggestions: choose 3)

- The Magic Finger by Roald Dahl
- Freckle Juice by Judy Blume
- Horrible Harry Moves up to 3rd by Suzy Kline
- The One in the Middle is the Green Kangaroo by Judy Blume
- Betsy's Bedtime Story by Beverly Cleary
- The Real Hole by Beverly Cleary
- How to Eat Fried Worms by Thomas Rockwell
- The Twits by Roald Dahl
- Shoe Shine Girl by Robert Clyde
- Bulla The Chalk Box Kid by Robert Clyde Bulla

Or any A.R. book between 2.5 – 4.0

Please do not read the following books over the summer! (We will be reading these books during the school year)

- Chocolate Touch by Patrick SkeneCatling
- Mr. Popper's Penguins by Richard Atwater
- Bunnica by James & Deborah Howe
- Fantastic Mr. Fox by R. Dahl
- Ramona Quinby Age 8 by Beverly Cleary
- Tales of the 4th Grade Nothing by Judy Blume

* They will also need to take AR tests on all 3 books prior to the first day of school.

Rising 4th Grade:

(Summer reading suggestions: choose 2) (Books recommended by our Sadlier Vocabulary Series)

- Under the Royal Palms: A Childhood in Cuba by Alma Flor Ada I,
- Houdini by Lynne Reid Banks
- Shoeshine Girl by Clyde Robert Bulla
- The Minpins by Roald Dahl Half Magic by Edward Eager
- The Hundred Dresses by Eleanor Estes
- Stone Fox by John R. Gardiner
- The Shrinking of Treehorn by Florence Parry Heide
- Where the Mountain Meets the Moon by Grace Lin
- Pippi Longstocking by Astrid Ericsson Lindgren
- Flip Flop Girl by Katherine Paterson
- Holes by Louis Sachar
- The Boy of a Thousand Faces by Brian Selznick Justin and the Best Biscuits in the World by Mildred Pitts
- Walter Stuart Little by E. B. White
- The Adventures of Laura and Jack by Laura Ingalls Wilder
- Sleeping Ugly by Jane Yolen
- Any of the "Junior Classics for Young Readers" are acceptable.
- Or any A.R. book level 3.0 or higher

* The students are required to do one book report and to turn it in on the first day of school. They will also need to take AR tests on both books.

Rising 5th Grade

(Summer reading suggestions: choose 3)

- The Adventures of Tom Sawyer and Huckleberry Finn by Mark Twain
- Treasure Island by Robert Louis Stevenson
- Black Beauty by Anna Sewell
- The Whipping Boy by Sid Fleischman
- Ella Enchanted by Gail Carson Levine
- Number the Stars by Lois Lowry
- Shiloh by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor
- From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler by E.L. Konigsburg
- Souder by William H. Armstrong
- Live in Infamy by Caroline Tung Richmond
- Resistance by Jennifer Nielsen
- Refugee by Alan Gratz
- My Brother Sam is Dead by James Lincoln Collier and Christopher Collier
- Or any AR book that is 4.0 or higher

*The students will do an in-class project on one book the first week of school. The students need to write a summary for all 3 books to turn in on the first day of school take AR tests on all 3 books. ****DO NOT READ THE FOLLOWING BOOKS**** We will be reading these books during the school year.

- Bridge to Terabithia by Katherine Patterson
- The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe by C.S. Lewis

Middle School Required Summer Reading:

6th Grade:

- Where the Red Fern Grows by Wilson Rawls

7th Grade:

- Summer of the Monkeys by Wilson Rawls

8th Grade:

- The Boy in the Striped Pajamas by John Boyne

*Seventh and eighth grade students must complete a Literacy Test for each of the assigned summer reading book. Sixth grade students will be expected to complete an AR test on the summer reading assignment.

Middle School Summer Enrichment Reading – Optional

6th Grade

- A Day No Pigs Would Die by Robert Newton Perk - Nonfiction
- A Wrinkle in Time by Madeleine L'Engle - Fiction

7th grade

- A Tree Grows in Brooklyn by Betty Smith - Nonfiction
- The Clockwork Scarab by Colleen Gleason - Fiction

8th Grade

- Spies of Mississippi: The True Story of the Spy Network that Tried to Destroy the Civil Rights
- Movement by Rick Bowers - Nonfiction
- Adventures of Sherlock Holmes by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle – Fiction