

Summer Reading List Rising First and Second Graders



Plainfield School District

RECOMMENDED READING LIST

- Bottner, Barbara. ***Miss Brooks Loves Books! (And I Don't)***. Alfred A. Knopf, 2010. A first-grade girl--who does not like to read--stubbornly resists her school librarian's efforts to convince her to love books until she finds one that might change her mind.
- Cronin, Doreen. ***Diary of a Fly***. Joanna Cotler, 2007. A young fly discovers, day by day, that there is a lot to learn about being an insect, including the dangers of flyswatters and that heroes come in all shapes and sizes.
- Daywalt, Drew. ***The Day the Crayons Came Home***. Philomel, 2015. One day, Duncan is happily coloring with his crayons when a stack of postcards arrives in the mail from his former crayons, each of which has run away or been left behind, and all of which want to come home.
- Eastman, P.D., ***Are You My Mother?*** Random House, 1960. *This story follows a confused baby bird who's been denied the experience of imprinting as he asks cows, planes, and steam shovels the Big Question.*
- Elya, Susan Middleton. ***Little Roja Riding Hood***. Putnam's, 2014. A rhyming twist on the classic fairy tale in which a little girl saves her grandmother from a wolf. Includes a glossary of Spanish words.
- Lobel, Arnold. ***Frog and Toad Are Friends***. First published 1970. Be entertained by the classic, short, delightful tales about best friends Frog and Toad. *Series*
- Numeroff, Laura. ***The Jellybeans and the Big Art Adventure***. Abrams Books, 2012. Four friends who like to do different things such as paint, play soccer, read and dance --- paint a mural on an outside wall of Mrs. Petunia Dinkley-Sneezer's candy shop that depicts them each doing what they love best. *Series*
- Rosensteihl, Agnes. ***Silly Lilly In What Will I Be Today?*** Toon Books, 2014. Each day of the week Silly Lilly tries out a new career through play in this fun graphic novel for beginning readers.
- Rylant, Cynthia. ***Henry and Mudge and the Big Sleepover***. Simon & Schuster, 2006. Henry and his dog Mudge are invited to a sleepover in Patrick's attic, where they watch monster movies, eat pizza, and enjoy a contest to determine whose dog is the best popcorn catcher. *Series*

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Schneider, Josh. ***Tales for Very Picky Eaters***. Clarion, 2011. A father tells outlandish stories while trying to get his young son, who is a very picky eater, to eat foods he thinks he will not like.

Vernick, Audrey. ***Brothers at Bat: The True Story of an Amazing All-Brother Baseball Team***. Clarion, 2012. Colorful and action-filled illustrations add to this non-fiction picture book story of twelve baseball playing brothers – the Acerra brothers.

Willems, Mo. ***Can I Play, too?*** Disney-Hyperion, 2010. Gerald and Piggie are best friends. They meet a new snake friend who wants to join in a game of catch. But doesn't he need arms to catch? See what happens.

Woodson, Jacqueline. ***Each Kindness***. Nancy Paulsen Books, 2012. It is only after Maya, the new girl, moves away that Chloe regretfully realizes that she and her friends have been unkind by excluding her from their games.

Yee, Wong Herbert. ***Mouse and Mole: A Winter Wonderland***. Houghton Mifflin, 2010. Best friends Mouse and Mole enjoy playing in the snow with Sno-Mouse and Sno-Mole, two more best friends. *Series*

YOU MAY ALSO SELECT A BOOK FROM ANY ONE OF THE FOLLOWING AUTHORS OR SERIES:

AUTHORS	SERIES
Jan Brett Marc Brown Donald Crews Kevin Henkes Arnold Lobel James Marshall Mo Willems Marc Brown Gail Gibbons James Marshall Mary Pope Osborne Faith Ringgold Seymour Simon	Amanda Pig and Oliver Pig Arthur Frog and Toad Froggy Madeline The Magic School Bus Amelia Bedelia Henry and Mudge Minnie & Moo Mr. Putter and Tabby Nate the Great

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