

Dear Family:

Reading is an important part of everyday life. Just because it is summer, students should not put their books away! Brockton Public Schools invite you and your family to participate in our Summer Reading Program. This year's theme is **"Discover Your Story."**

The importance of summer reading cannot be overemphasized. Educational researchers note that some children's reading levels dropped as much as two grades when students did not read regularly over the summer months. It is really simple: the more students read the better readers they become. Your support is a critical part of the Summer Reading Program.

Students entering grades 3-5 can read books from the Recommended Authors List, the Optional Titles List or students may select a book of their choice. As a parent or guardian, you may pick books to read together, too. Just record the title of any books your child reads this summer on the reading log and then sign your initials. Look for the log on the inside of this brochure or on our website: [www.bpsma.org](http://www.bpsma.org). Send this form back with your child in the fall for a certificate of participation!

We hope you and your family will read this summer, and reap all of the wonderful benefits that reading has to offer.

Sincerely,

Kathleen A. Smith, JD  
Superintendent of Schools

## **Brockton Public Library Summer Schedule**

PLEASE CONTACT YOUR LOCAL  
LIBRARY FOR SUMMER HOURS OF  
OPERATION OR CHECK ONLINE AT:

[www.brocktonpubliclibrary.org](http://www.brocktonpubliclibrary.org)

### Main Library

304 Main Street  
508.580.7890

### East Branch

54 Kingman Street  
508.580.7892

### West Branch

540 Forest Avenue  
508.580.7894

### **Recommended websites for parents:**

#### **Scholastic Parent Website**

[www.scholastic.com/parents/](http://www.scholastic.com/parents/)

#### **National Parent Teacher Association – Reading Tips**

[www.pta.org/programs/content.cfm?ItemNumber=3562](http://www.pta.org/programs/content.cfm?ItemNumber=3562)

#### **U.S. Dept. of Education – Reading Tips for Parents**

[www.ed.gov/parents/read/resources/readingtips/index.html](http://www.ed.gov/parents/read/resources/readingtips/index.html)

## **Brockton Public Schools**

# **Summer Reading List and Log**

## **2019**



## **Recommended Reading**

### **For**

## **Students Entering**

## **Grades 3-5**

## Recommended Authors & Illustrators

Joan Aiken  
Lynne Reid Banks  
Raymond Bial  
Judy Blume  
Eve Bunting  
Joseph Bruchac  
Beverly Cleary  
Elizabeth Coatsworth  
Eleanor Coerr  
Mary Mapes Dodge  
Elizabeth Enright  
Eleanor Estes  
Jean Fritz  
Jean George  
James Griblin  
Patricia Reilly Giff  
Kenneth Grahame  
Langston Hughes  
Johanna Hurwitz  
Patricia Lauber  
Julius Lester  
David Macaulay  
Sterling North  
Howard Pyle  
J.K.Rowling  
Carl Sandburg  
Alvin Schwartz  
George Selden  
Louis Slobodkin  
Mildred Taylor  
Ann Warren Turner  
E. B. White  
Laura Ingalls Wilder

## Brockton Public Schools Summer Reading 2019

### Suggested Titles

#### FOR STUDENTS ENTERING GRADE 3

- *Cam Jansen Series*- David Adler
- *The Chalk Box Kid* - Clyde Robert Bulla
- *The Magic School Bus Series* - Joanna Cole

#### FOR STUDENTS ENTERING GRADE 4

- *Little House on the Prairie Series* - Laura Ingalls Wilder
- *Souder* - William Armstrong
- *Teammates* - Peter Golenbock

#### FOR STUDENTS ENTERING GRADE 5

- *And Then What Happened, Paul Revere?* - Jean Fritz
- *The Tale of Despereaux* - Kate DiCamillo
- *The Pinballs* - Betsy Byars

**Or you may also read...**  
**A book of your choice!**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
School \_\_\_\_\_  
Grade \_\_\_\_\_

## Reading Log

Title	Parent or Guardian Initials

Reading logs also available on the  
Brockton Public Schools website:  
[www.bpsma.org](http://www.bpsma.org)