



SUMMER BOOK LIST

Directions for Summer Reading...

1. Have fun!
2. Summer can be busy. Make time with books a habit and reading a priority.
3. Students should talk about what they read with family and friends. They could even record themselves reading and play it back to see how their reading sounds.
4. Use the following lists only as a guide. Depending on your child's reading level, you may have to use the list above or below their rising grade level. These lists primarily focus on fiction titles. Make use of digital resources through your public library and other websites to find both fiction and nonfiction books that interest your child as a reader.
5. Keep track of the books you read using the reading log.
6. Set a personal reading goal and work to meet it!

Kindergarten and First Grade



Suggested Picture Book Authors

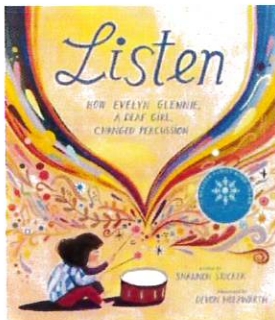
Mac Barnett
Vanessa Brantley-Newton
Mike Curato
Kelly DiPucchio
Ian Falconer

Molly Idle
Oliver Jeffers
Grace Lin
Rafael Lopez
Nikki McClure

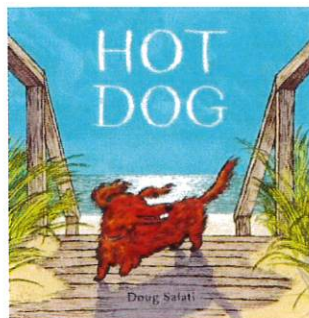
Pat Mora
Kadir Nelson
Jerry Pinkney
Adam Rubin
Bethan Woollvin

Award Winners!

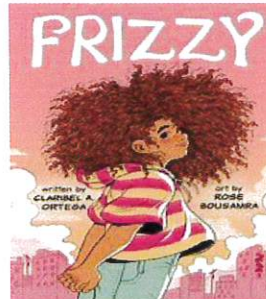
2023 Schneider Family
Book Award



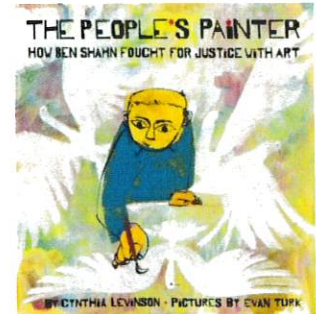
2023 Caldecott Medal



2023 Pura Belpré Winner



2022 Sibert Medal Winner



Suggested Early Chapter Books (series)



Suggested Chapter Book Read Alouds (series)



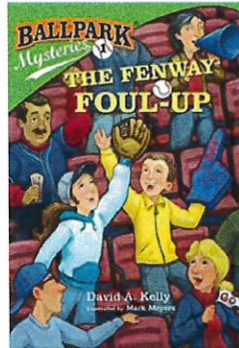
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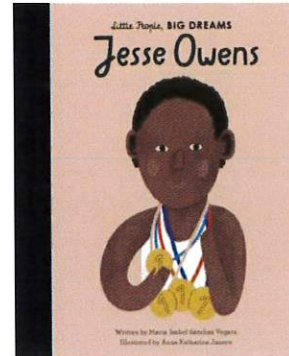
The Owl Diaries
By Rebecca Elliott



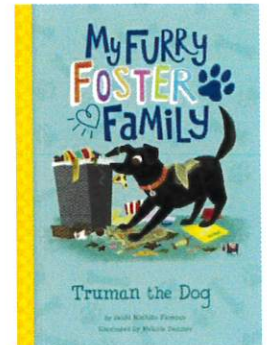
Ricky Ricotta's Mighty Robot
By Dav Pilkey



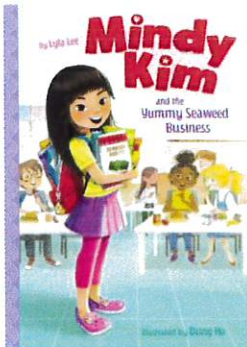
Ballpark Mysteries
By David A. Kelly



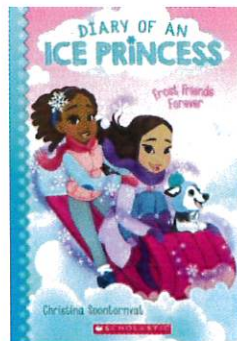
Little People, Big Dreams
By Various Authors



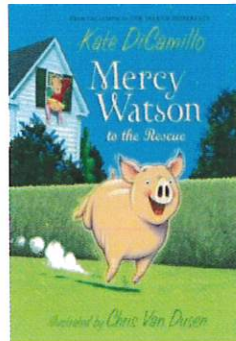
My Furry Foster Family
By Debbi Michiko Florence



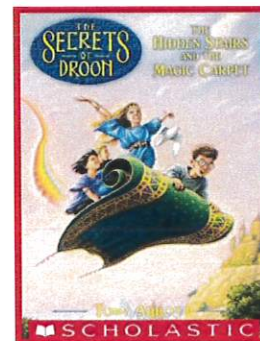
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By Lyla Lee



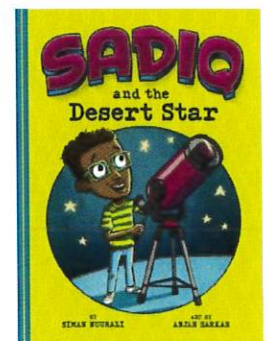
Diary Of An Ice Princess
By Christina Soontomvat



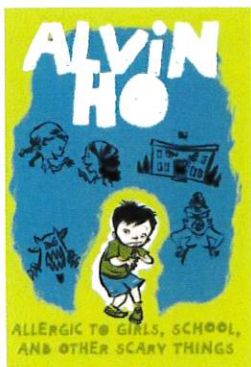
Mercy Watson
By Kate DiCamillo



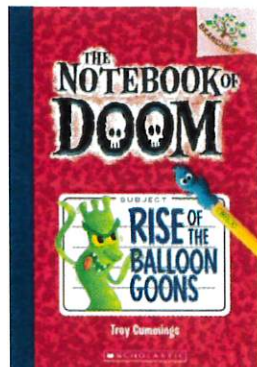
The Secrets of Droon
By Tony Abbott



Sadiq
By Siman Nuurali



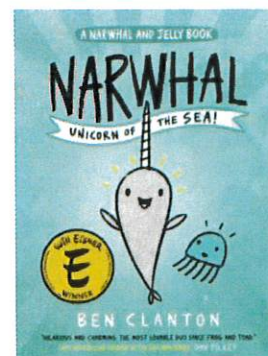
Alvin Ho
By Lenore Look



The Notebook of Doom
By Troy Cummings



The Princess in Black
By Shannon Hale

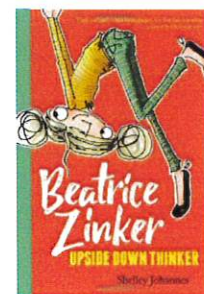
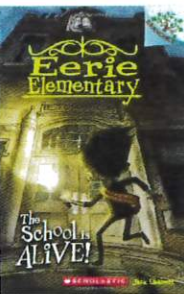
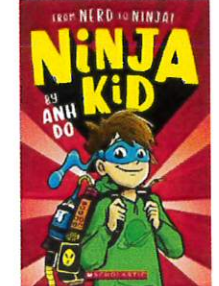
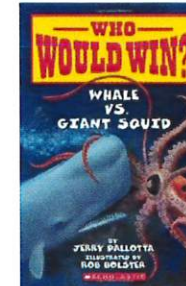
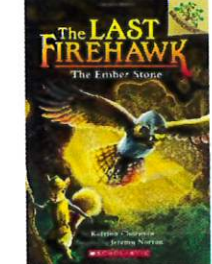
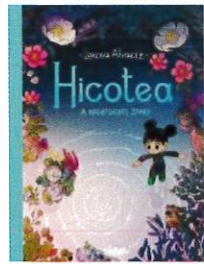
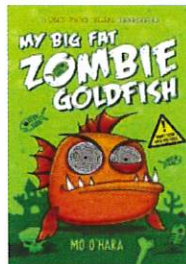
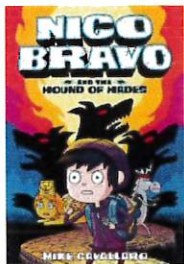
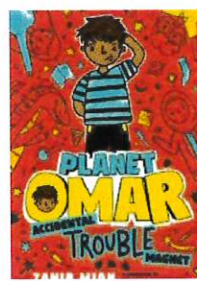
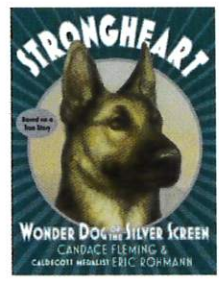
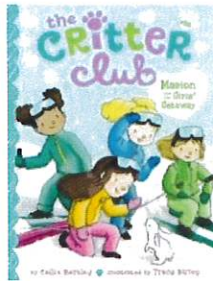
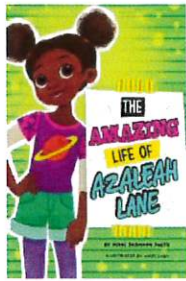
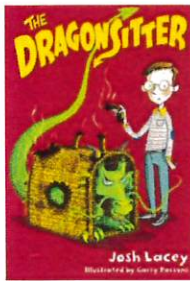
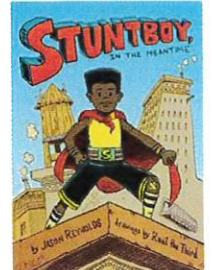
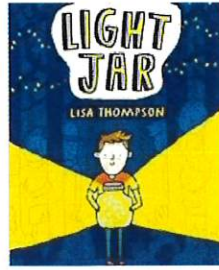
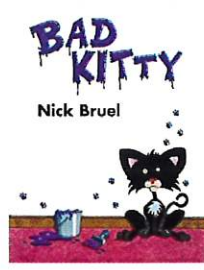
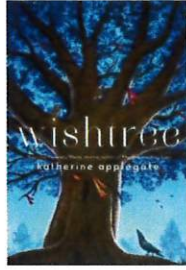
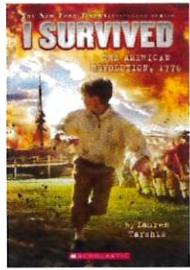


Narwhal and Jelly
By Ben Clanton



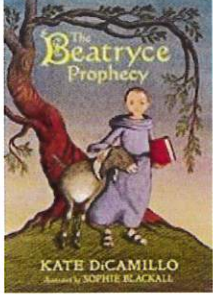
Investigators
By John Patrick Green

Third Grade



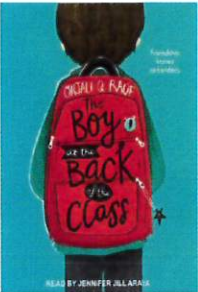
Fourth Grade

Chapter Books



The Beatryce Prophecy by Kate DiCamillo

In a time of war, a mysterious child appears at the monastery of the Order of the Chronicles of Sorrowing. Gentle Brother Edik finds the girl, Beatryce, curled in a stall, wracked with fever, coated in dirt and blood. As the monk nurses Beatryce to health, he uncovers her dangerous secret, one that imperils them all—for the king of the land seeks just such a girl, and Brother Edik, who penned the prophecy himself, knows why.



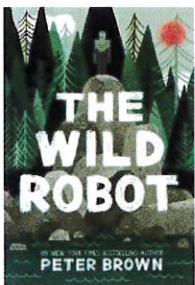
The Boy in the Back of the Class

When nine-year-old Ahmet, a Syrian refugee joins their class, everyone is curious about this new boy. He doesn't seem to smile, and he doesn't talk much. But after learning that Ahmet fled a very real war and was separated from his family along the way, a determined group of his classmates bands together to concoct the Greatest Idea in the World--a magnificent plan to reunite Ahmet with his loved ones.



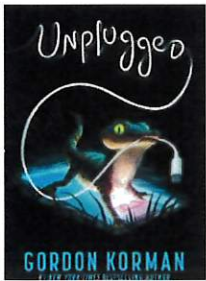
The Lion of Mars by Jennifer L. Holm

Bell has spent his whole life on Mars. But he's still just a regular kid. He loves cats, cake, and is curious about the secrets the adults in the US colony are keeping. Like, why don't they have contact with anyone on the other Mars colonies? Why are they so isolated? When a virus breaks out and the grown-ups all fall ill, Bell and the other children are the only ones who can help. It's up to Bell to uncover the truth and save his family...and possibly unite an entire planet.



The Robot by Peter Brown

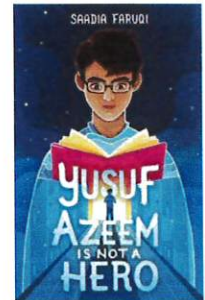
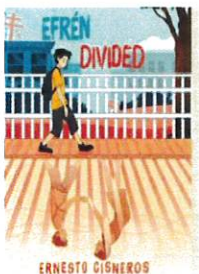
When robot Roz opens her eyes for the first time, she discovers that she is all alone on a remote, wild island. She has no idea how she got there or what her purpose is--but she knows she needs to survive. After battling a violent storm and escaping a vicious bear attack, she realizes that her only hope for survival is to adapt to her surroundings and learn from the island's unwelcoming animal inhabitants.



Unplugged by Gordon Korman

As the son of the world's most famous tech billionaire, Jett Baranov has always gotten what he wanted. So when his father's private jet drops him in the middle of the Arkansas wilderness, at a place called the Oasis. Jett is forced to hand over his cell phone, eat grainy veggie patties, and participate in wholesome activities. He also can't help noticing that the adults at the Oasis are acting really strange. Jett

More Black-Eyed Susan nominees (chapter books)...



Graphic Novels



Allergic by Megan Wagner Lloyd

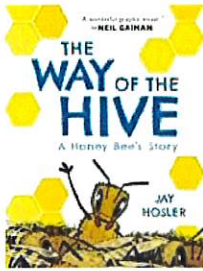
At home, Maggie is the odd one out. Her parents are preoccupied with getting ready for a new baby, and her younger brothers are twins and always in their own world.

Maggie loves animals and thinks a new puppy is the answer, but when she goes to select one on her birthday, she breaks out in hives and rashes. She's severely allergic to anything with fur! Can Maggie outsmart her allergies and find the perfect pet?



Anti/Hero by Kate Karyus Quinn

Piper Pájaro and Sloane MacBrute are two girls with very different lives but very similar secrets. Popular, outgoing Piper is strong. Like, ripping-the-doors-off-cars strong. Snarky Sloane, on the other hand, is super smart. Like, evil-genius-smart. To help her family, she has to put those smarts to use for her villainous grandfather. When a mission to steal an experimental device brings the two girls face to face with each other, the device sparks, and the two girls switch bodies! Now they must live in each other's shoes as they figure out a way to switch back.



The Way of the Hive: A Honeybee's Story by Jay Hosler

Follow Nyuki on a lifelong journey as she annoys her sisters, avoids predators, and learns to trust her inner voice as she masters the way of the hive.

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