# Pembroke Hill Wornall Campus Libraries Summer Reading Suggestions 2024

#### Access to Books

- Local Libraries: KCPL, MidContinent, Johnson County: visit your public library to check books out, and attend fun events and activities all summer!
- Explore the **Libby App** and **BookFlix**: fun ways to read or listen to books!

## Suggestions from the McNeely Primary Library: EC - 2nd Grade

Scroll down for Dickey Intermediate Library Suggestions



### When The Relatives Came: Family Fiction

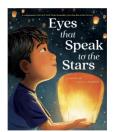
When the Relatives Came is an hilarious account of a family's summer visit with their relatives from Virginia. The joyous reunion is excellently told through the story which has all the traditional elements which hallmark most family gatherings: kissing, hugging, eating, laughing, and reflecting upon treasured memories while creating new ones.



#### **And Then Comes Summer: Realistic Fiction**

From Follett

From flip-flops and hide and seek to fireworks and ice-cream trucks, there is something for everyone in this bright and buoyant celebration of the summer season.



**Eyes That Speak to the Stars: Realistic Fiction** 

#### From The Publisher

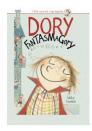
A young boy comes to recognize his own power and ability to change the future. When a friend at school creates a hurtful drawing, the boy turns to his family for comfort. He realizes that his eyes rise to the skies and speak to the stars, shine like sunlit rays, and glimpse trails of light from those who came before--in fact, his eyes are like his father's, his agong's, and his little brother's, and they are visionary.



**Opal Lee: Nonfiction** 

From Follett

The true story of Black activist Opal Lee and her vision of Juneteenth as a holiday for everyone will inspire children to be brave and make a difference. Growing up in Texas, Opal knew the history of Juneteenth, but she soon discovered that most Americans had never heard of the holiday that represents the nation's creed of 'freedom for all'".



### **Dory Fantasmagory: Realistic Fiction**

From Follett

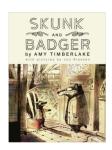
Dory, the youngest in her family, is a girl with a very active imagination, and she spends the summer playing with her imaginary friend, pretending to be a dog, battling monsters, and generally driving her family nuts.



**Dragon Masters Rise of the Earth Dragon: Fantasy Fiction** 

#### From Follett

Eight-year-old Drake is snatched up by the King's soldiers and taken to the castle where he is told by the wizard Griffith that he has been chosen to be a Dragon Master like Ana, Rori, and Bo--and his first task will be to discover whether his dragon, Worm, has any special powers.



## Skunk and Badger: Animal Fiction

From Follett

The last thing Badger wants is a roommate, and certainly not Skunk, but since the house does not belong to him he does not have a choice; and soon everything in Badger's quiet and ordered life studying rocks is turned upside down (and where on earth did all the chickens come from)--but after he drives Skunk and his chickens away, Badger starts to miss his roommate and sets out to find him and make amends.



#### **Princess in Black: Fantasy Fiction**

From Follett

While having hot cocoa with the Dutchess, Princess Magnolia must sneak away to fight monsters as her alter ego the Princess in Black.



Ricky Ricotta's Mighty Robot: Science Fiction

From Follett

Ricky Ricotta, a small mouse, is being bullied at school, but when he rescues a powerful robot from its evil creator, he acquires a friend and protector--and saves the city from Dr. Stinky.



### **STEM Activity Book**

From Follett

A collection of activities and facts that looks at science, technology, engineering, and mathematics.



### **Fingerprint Drawing Book**

From Follett

Shows how to make pictures by using one's fingerprints and a few dots and lines.



## National Geographic Kids Almanac 2024

From Follett

Includes index. Contains facts, photographs, and maps that provide readers with information on animals, cultures, famous landmarks, science, the future, and many other topics.

## Suggestions from the Dickey Intermediate Library: 3rd - 5th Grade

In addition to getting the Libby App or Bookflix, access ebooks and audiobooks from the Wornall Libraries. Find how-to instructions here.



### A Place To Hang The Moon: Historical Fiction, 2024 Mark Twain Nominee

From Follett

In World War II England, orphaned siblings William, Edmund, and Anna are evacuated from London to live in the countryside, where they bounce from home to home in search of someone willing to adopt them permanently.



Clean Getaway: Realistic Fiction

From Follett

"For the life of him, William 'Scoob' Lamar can't seem to stay out of trouble--and now the run-ins at school have led to lockdown at home. So when G'ma, Scoob's favorite person on Earth, asks him to go on an impromptu road trip, he's in the RV faster than he can say freedom. With G'ma's old maps and a strange pamphlet called the 'Travelers' Green Book' at their side, the pair takes off on a journey down G'ma's memory lane. But adventure quickly turns to uncertainty: G'ma keeps changing the license plate, dodging Scoob's questions, and refusing to check Dad's voice mails. And the farther they go, the more Scoob realizes that the world hasn't always been a welcoming place for kids like him, and things aren't always what they seem--G'ma included"--OCLC.



Where The Red Fern Grows: Children's Classics

From Follett

The adventures of a ten-year-old boy and the two dogs he bought with money he had earned.



Anne Of Green Gables: Children's Classics

From Follett

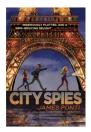
Anne, an eleven-year-old orphan, is sent by mistake to live with a lonely middle-aged brother and sister on a Prince Edward Island farm and proceeds to make an indelible impression on everyone around her.



**Nightingale: Fantasy Fiction, 2024 Mark Twain Nominee** 

From Follett

After twelve-year-old Lark, determined to escape her squalid life, steals a magical sword from the Royal Museum, she reluctantly becomes the next Nightingale, destined to vanquish an ancient evil.



City Spies, Book 1: Mystery

From Follett

Sara Martinez is facing years in the juvenile detention system for hacking into the foster care computer system to prove that her foster parents are crooks. But then she gets a second chance when a mysterious man offers her a chance to join a group of MI6 affiliated spies. – Provided by publisher



Swim Team: Realistic Fiction, Graphic Novel

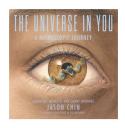
From Follett

Includes bibliographical references. "Bree can't wait for her first day at her new middle school, Enith Brigitha, home to the Mighty Manatees--until she's stuck with the only elective that fits her schedule, the dreaded Swim 101. The thought of swimming makes Bree more than a little queasy, yet she's forced to dive headfirst into one of her greatest fears. Lucky for her, Etta, an elderly occupant of her apartment building and former swim team captain, is willing to help"--Provided by publisher.



A Rover's Story: Science Fiction: (Upcoming Mark Twain Nominee for 2024/2025!) From Follett

Includes bibliographical references. Built to explore Mars, Resilience begins to develop human-like feelings as he learns from the NASA scientists who assembled him, and as he blasts off and explores Mars, Resilience must overcome different obstacles as he explores the red planet.



The Universe In You: A Nonfiction Picture Book

From Booklist

In this complement to Your Place in the Universe (2020), Chin once again explores the concepts of size and scale. Instead of looking outward to the vastness of outer space, however, the Caldecott medalist turns inward toward the building blocks of matter and life. Returning to the Southwest, he sets the informational picture book in the Sonoran Desert, where a ranger is

leading a group of elementary-school children. A girl using a wheelchair gets distracted by a calliope hummingbird, the smallest bird in the U.S., which lands on the girl's hand. This begins a progression of incrementally smaller scales, for the bird is still not as small as the smallest butterfly, the western pygmy blue. The insects, in turn, are still not as small as the smallest hairs on our body. From here, the scale continues down inside the human body, from cells and their structure to DNA and, ultimately, atoms and their parts.



Search for a Giant Squid: A Pick Your Path Adventure

Kirkus Reviews

The rarely seen giant squid is pursued by a research crew in a choose-your-own-adventure—style science book. An ocean expedition sounds fun and exciting, but it takes a lot of work and a lot of people to pull it off. A large group of scientists and crew, all of whom appear to be people of color, sets out to learn more about giant squids. (Nonfiction. 6-9)



How To Draw Cute Animals

From Follett

Contains illustrated, step-by-step instructions for drawing animals.



**Delish Kids Cookbook** 

From Follett

Includes index. A collection of full-color, illustrated instructions for over one hundred recipes for kids.

### **Formats and Genres to Consider**

### **Examples of Book Formats**

Picture Books, Novels (chapter books), Graphic Novels, eBooks, AudioBooks, Magazines, Newspapers, Comic Books

#### **Examples of Book Genres**

Fiction (fantasy, sports, realistic, etc), Nonfiction (how to books, cookbooks, animals and nature, science and technology, history, etc), Biography (nonfiction about a real person and their experiences)