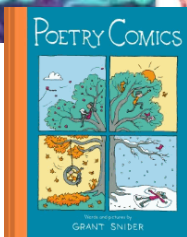
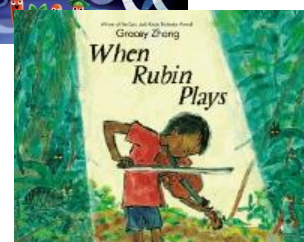
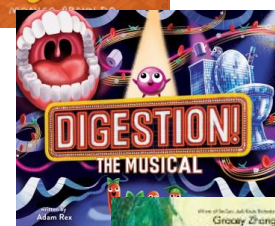
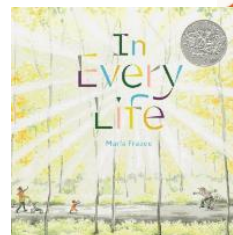
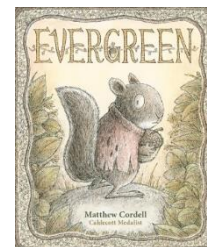


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Suggested Summer Reading List for Children Entering Third Grade

Picture Books

Digestion! The Musical by Adam Rex
Evergreen by Matthew Cordell
Hornswoggled!: A Wacky Words Whodunit by Josh Crute
In Every Life by Marla Frazee
Mr. S by Monica Arnoldo
Negative Cat by Sophie Blackall
Stickler Loves the World by Lane Smith
Too Many Pigs and One Big Bad Wolf by Davide Cali
Wake Me Up in 20 Coconuts! By Laurie Keller
When Rubin Plays by Gracey Zhang



Chapter Books + Graphic Novels

The Apartment House on Poppy Hill by Nina LaCour
*The Absent Alpacas** by Kayla Whaley
*Batcat** by Meggie Ramm
*Dragons in a Bag** by Zetta Elliott
*The First Cat in Space Ate Pizza** by Mac Barnett
*Just Harriet** by Elana K. Arnold
*The Guardian Test** by Christina Soontornvat
*Sona Sharma, Very Best Big Sister?** by Chitra Soundar
*Wednesday Wilson Gets Down to Business** by Bree Galbraith

Poetry + Folklore

Compassion by Maya van der Meer
Copycat: Nature-Inspired Design Around the World
by Christy Hale
How to Write a Poem by Kwame Alexander
Ice Cycle: Poems About the Life of Ice by Maria Gianferrari
Kuan Yin: The Princess Who Became the Goddess of
The Last Straw: Kids vs. Plastics by Susan Hood
The North Wind & the Sun by Philip Stead
Poetry Comics by Grant Snider
The Princess and the (Greedy) Pea by Leigh Hodgkinson
The Three Little Tardigrades by Sandra Fay

Author & Illustrator John Parra



will visit students in Grades
K-5 during the 2025-2026
school year. He has written
and illustrated many
books we recommend
checking out this summer!

Nonfiction

*Big as a Giant Snail: Discovering the World's Most Gigantic Animals** by Jess Keating

Fungi Grow by Maria Gianferrari

The Girl Who Heard the Music by Marni Fogelson

How to Eat in Space by Helen Springhetti Taylor

Jumper: A Day in the Life of a Backyard Jumping Spider by Jessica Lanan

Ice Cream Man: How Augustus Jackson Made a Sweet Treat Better by Glenda Armand

Mega-Predators of the Past by Melissa Stewart

Moon Tree: The Story of One Extraordinary Tree by Carolyn Bennett Fraiser

Moving the Millers' Minnie Moore Mine Mansion: A True Story by Dave Eggers

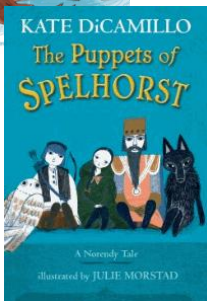
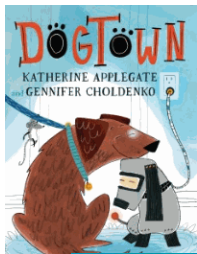
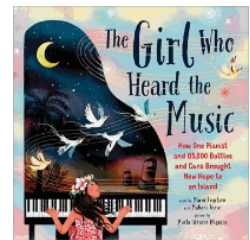
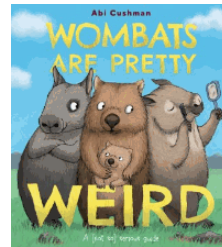
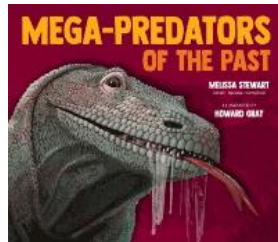
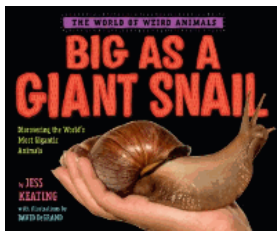
*Pluto!: Not a Planet? Not a Problem!** by Stacy McAnulty

Solve This! Forensics: Super Science and Curious Capers for the Daring Detective in You by Kate Messner

We are Starlings: Inside the Mesmerizing Magic of a Murmuration by Robert Furrow

*What's Inside a Caterpillar Cocoon?: And Other Questions About Moths & Butterflies** by Rachel Ignotofsky

Wombats are Pretty Weird: A Not So Serious Guide by Abi Cushman



Family Read-Alouds

Anne and Her Tower of Giraffes: The Adventurous Life of the First Giraffologist by Karlin Gray

Any Which Wall by Laurel Snyder

The Book that No One Wanted to Read by Richard Ayode

Dogtown by Katherine Applegate

Milo Imagines the World by Matt de la Peña

The Puppets of Spelhorst by Kate DiCamillo

The Truth about Dragons by Julie Leung

Where Wonder Grows by Xelena Gonzalez

Yaffa and Fatima: Shalom, Salaam adapted by Fawzia Gilani-Williams

Zora, the Story Keeper by Ebony Wilkins

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