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# Pittsford Schools

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## Suggested Summer Reading List for Children Entering Second Grade

### Picture Books

*Beneath* by Cori Doerfeld  
*Buffalo Fluffalo* by Bess Kalb  
*Campingland* by Ame Dyckman  
*The First Week of School* by Drew Beckmeyer  
*The Last Zookeeper* by Aaron Becker  
*Millie Fleur's Poison Garden* by Christy Mandin  
*My Block Looks Like* by Janelle Harper  
*My Daddy is a Cowboy* by Stephanie Seales  
*The Search for the Giant Arctic Jellyfish* by Chloe Savage  
*The Ship in the Window* by Travis Jonker  
*Umami* by Jacob Grant  
*We are Definitely Human* by X Fang  
*What Can You Do With a Rock?* by Pat Zietlow Miller  
*Where Three Oceans Meet* by Rajani LaRocca



### Beginning Reader Books

*Ali the Great and the Dinosaur Mistake\** by Saadia Faruqi  
*Frank and Bean: The Stinky Feet Monster\** by Jamie Michalak  
*Gigi and Ojiji\** by Melissa Iwai  
*Horse & Buggy on Ice!\** by Ethan Long  
*Lone Wolf Goes to School\** by Kiah Thomas  
*Sir Ladybug and the Queen Bee\** by Corey R. Tabor  
*Treasure Map\** by Brandon Todd

### Chapter Books + Graphic Novels

*Bibsy Cross and the Bike-A-Thon\** by Liz Garton Scanlon  
*Burt the Beetle Lives Here!\** by Ashley Spires  
*Cranky Chicken\** by Katherine Battersby  
*Hocus and Pocus and the Spell for Home\** by A.R. Capetta  
*Home is Where the Heart Is\** by Cam Higgins  
*Our Friend Hedgehog: The Story of Us\** by Lauren Castillo  
*The Story of Gumluck the Wizard\** by Adam Rex  
*Wildfire Rescue\** by Rekha S. Rajan

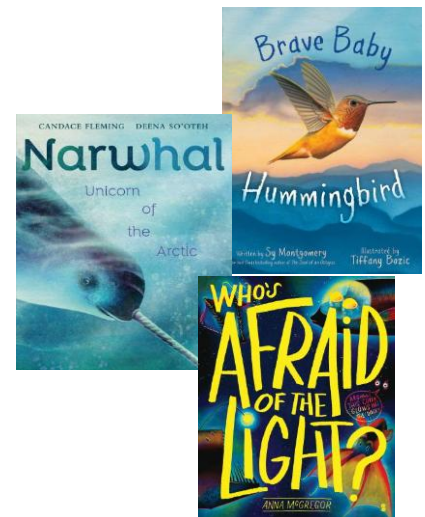
### Author Linda Sue Park



will visit students in Grades  
K-5 during the 2026-2027  
school year. She has written  
and illustrated many  
books we recommend  
checking out this summer!

## Nonfiction

*Brave Baby Hummingbird* by Sy Montgomery  
*Cactus Queen: Minerva Hoyt Establishes Joshua Tree National Park*  
 by Lori Alexander  
*Club Microbe* by Elise Gravel  
*Great Carrier Reef* by Jessica Stremmer  
*How to Make a Picture Book* by Elys Dolan  
*If the Rivers Run Free* by Andrea Debbink  
*Meet the Mini-Mammals: A Night at the Natural History Museum*  
 by Melissa Stewart  
*Narwhal: Unicorn of the Arctic* by Candace Fleming  
*Washed Ashore: Making Art from Ocean Plastic* by Kelly Crull  
*When Beavers Flew: An Incredible True Story of Rescue and Relocation*  
 by Kristen Tracy  
*Who's Afraid of the Light?* by Anna McGregor

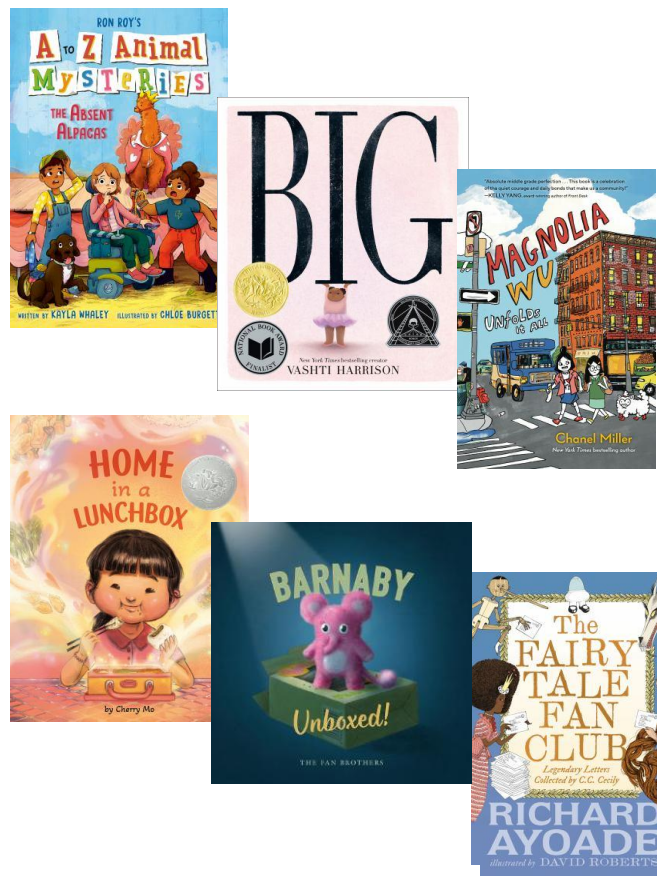


## Poetry + Folklore

*All By Myself* by Stephanie Shaw  
*Climbing the Volcano: A Journey in Haiku* by Curtis Manley  
*Haiku, ew!: Celebrating the Disgusting Side of Nature* by Lynn Brunelle  
*The Mighty Pollinators* by Helen Frost  
*The North Wind & the Sun* by Philip Stead  
*The Smell of Wet Dog: And Other Dog Poems and Drawings*  
 by Barney Saltzberg

## Family Read-Alouds

*The Absent Alpacas\** by Kayla Whaley  
*Barnaby Unboxed* by Terry Fan  
*Big* by Vashti Harrison  
*Fairy Tale Fan Club: Legendary Letters Collected*  
 by C.C. Cecily by Richard Ayoade  
*Home in a Lunchbox* by Cherry Mo  
*Magnolia Wu Unfolds It All* by Chanel Miller  
*No Reading Allowed: The Worst Read-Aloud*  
*Book Ever* by Raj Haldar  
*Noodles on a Bicycle* by Kyo Maclear  
*Stella and Marigold* by Annie Barrows  
*Swimming Into Trouble\** by Angela Ahn  
*Up, Up, Ever Up!: Junko Tabei: A Life in the*  
*Mountains* by Anita Yasuda



This list was prepared by the PCSD Elementary School Librarians. Most of the books can be found at the Pittsford Community Library or in eBook form through Sora via your child's ClassLink account. The books listed are suggestions and are not required reading. All book cover images are from Follett Destiny Library Catalog.

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\*Look for other titles in the series.