

Incoming Grade 3 Summer Reading List 2010

Our goal for Lower School students during the summer is for them to spend time reading, not creating projects. We encourage you to include some time during each day for reading. The most successful way to retain the skills that your children's teachers have developed during the school year is through daily reading, either independently or through shared experiences.

Using the guide below to help you choose books on your reading level, **please read at least two books** from the lists below. **Do not read both books from the same series for your two selections.** The library's popular "Battle of the Books" program's titles are included in the required reading book list. You do not need to be a Battle of the Books participant to read one of these books.

Please complete the **Summer Reading Log** and return it during the first week of school in September. Have a wonderful summer of reading!

Choosing Books for Independent Reading

READ A COUPLE OF PAGES. IS THE TEXT MAKING SENSE? CAN YOU UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU ARE READING? IF NOT, THEN YOU WILL NOT ENJOY READING THIS BOOK.

AND/OR

Five Finger Test

1. Open the book to the middle and choose a full page of text to read.
2. Read the page (aloud if possible).
3. Put one finger up for every word you can not say or do not know.
4. If you get 4 or 5 fingers up, then the book is too hard for you to read on your own.
5. If you have no fingers up, but are reading VERY slowly and decoding almost every word you will not enjoy reading this book by yourself.

Recommended titles/series:

Any book in the Andy Russell series by David A. Adler
Any book in the Clementine series by Sarah Pennypacker
Any book in the Emma series by Sally Warner
Eoin Colfer's Legend of -- Captain Crow's Teeth
Eoin Colfer's The Legend of -- Spud Murphy
Eoin Colfer's Legend of -- the Worst Boy in the World

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The Fantastic Mr. Fox by Roald Dahl
Any book in the Gooney Bird Green series by Lois Lowry
Any book in the Judy Moody series by Megan McDonald
Any book in the Magic Tree House series by Mary Pope Osborne
Any book in the Marvin Redpost series by Louis Sachar
Any book in the Stink series by Megan McDonald
Any book in the Who Was ...? biography series (various authors)

Battle of the Books Titles

Andrew Lost: On the Dog by J.C. Greenburg
Baseball Fever by Johanna Hurwitz
Be a Perfect Person in Just Three Days by Stephen Manes
Charlotte's Web by E.B. White
Esio Trot by Roald Dahl
I Freddy by Dietlof Reiche
Mrs. Piggie Wiggle by Betty MacDonald
Sheep by Valerie Hobbs
Shredderman: Secret Identity by Wendelin Van Draanen
A Song for Harlem by Patricia C. McKissack
Toliver's Secret by Esther Wood Brady
Twice Upon a Time: Rapunzel, the One with All the Hair by Wendy Mass
We'll Never Forget You, Roberto Clemente by Trudie Engel
What's the Big Idea, Ben Franklin? by Jean Fritz
Who Stole the Wizard of Oz? by Avi

Notable Recent Titles

The Allie Finkle series by Mag Cabot
Benjamin Pratt and the Keepers of the School by Andrew Clements
The Mysterious Howling by Maryrose Wood

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Name _____

Fall Grade _____

HILLTOP SUMMER READING LOG

Please list the books you read from the recommended summer reading list. You may write on the back of this form, if needed. **RETURN YOUR LOG DURING THE FIRST WEEK OF SCHOOL.**

Author	Title

List below any additional books that you read and enjoyed during the summer. You may write on the back of this form, if needed.

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