

FOURTH GRADE SUMMER READING

Dear Parents and Students,

Summer is here, and that means it's time for Summer Reading! You are expected to pick **two** books from the list below and choose an activity to complete for each book.

Please turn in your two summer reading activities on the first day of school!

Please pick one option below for each book:

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| Write a letter to the author | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Use proper letter formatting (heading, greeting, closing, and signature)• Tell the author what you liked about the book and what you would change. Make sure to explain why!• Ask the author some questions (ex. Why they chose a certain setting or about a specific character) |
| Write two diary entries for the main character | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Write two diary/journal entries from the perspective of the main character.• These entries should mention specific events from the story.• Each diary entry should be at least 5-7 sentences. |
| Create a new ending for the book | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Write the ending of the story that you would have chosen.• It should be at least 2 paragraphs and should make sense with the rest of the story. |
| Summarize the book in comic book form. | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The comic should include at least 5 detailed frames. |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Each section should include an illustration and a brief sentence about what is happening in the frame. |
| <p>Write a book review for your classmates.</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Write about the setting of the story, the main characters, and major events (do not give away the ending!) • Tell your classmates what you enjoyed about this book – give specifics! • Say who you would recommend this book to and why. • If there is anything you did not like, you can include that as well! |

FUN READING CHECKLIST

Over the summer, try to read in as many places listed below as you can! Check off at least ten places.

- read at the beach
- read under a table
- read with a flashlight
- read at your grandparent's house
- read while eating lunch
- read under or in a tree
- read to a parent
- read by a pool
- read with sunglasses on
- read on a swing set
- read on a towel
- read in a tent
- read in bed
- read in a car
- read at a friend's house
- read in a different state
- read on the couch
- read by a river, lake, or stream

Here are your book choices for summer reading

| Fiction based on a specific time in history | Books about Animals | Fantasy | Fiction based on real-life | Mystery |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Ben and Me</i> by Robert Lawson • <i>Strawberry Girl</i> by Lois Lenski • <i>Sarah, Plain and Tall</i> by Patricia MacLachlan • <i>Little Women</i> by Louisa May Alcott • <i>Little House in the Big Woods</i> by Laura Ingalls Wilder | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Where the Red Fern Grows</i> by Wilson Rawls • <i>Black Beauty</i> by Anna Sewell • <i>Trumpet of the Swan</i> by E.B. White • <i>Stuart Little</i> by E.B. White • <i>Misty of Chincoteague</i> by Marguerite Henry • <i>Old Yeller</i> by Fred Gipson | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe</i> by C.S. Lewis • <i>The Borrowers</i> by Mary Norton • <i>Indian in the Cupboard</i> by Lynne Reid Banks • <i>Pippi Longstocking</i> by Astrid Lindgren • <i>The Wind in the Willows</i> by Kenneth Grahame | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Henry Huggins</i> by Beverly Cleary • <i>My Side of the Mountain</i> by George and Jean Craighead • <i>Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing</i> by Judy Blume • <i>Family Under the Bridge</i> by Natalie Savage Carlson • <i>The Moffats</i> by Elanor Estes | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Encyclopedia Brown, Boy Detective</i> by Donald Sobol • <i>Boxcar Children Series</i> by Gertrude Chandler Warner • <i>Nancy Drew Series</i> by Carolyn Keene • <i>Hardy Boys Series</i> by Franklin W. Dixon |