

# 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:***

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

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

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