

# Canterbury Elementary School

## Suggested Summer Reading List

### A Message to Parents...

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Summer time should be a relaxing time...a time for many outdoor activities. However, there is nothing quite like taking a break from the hot, humid weather than finding a cool place to read a good book.

The following titles are suggested titles that can be found at your local library or bookstore. Visit [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com) to read book reviews before making a choice or ask a friend for some recommendations. The local libraries and bookstores are great places to ask for assistance in recommending more titles.

Canterbury Public Library's summer activity is called; "Get a Clue@ Your Library." It will run for six weeks beginning June 20<sup>th</sup>. The craft activities will begin on the same day and also run for six weeks. The library will also host, "The Lost Ark" on June 26<sup>th</sup> from 2-3 with live animals to learn about and investigate.

Enclosed in this packet you will find a reading tip sheet and the list of Nutmeg Children's book Award reading list. Each year, students in grade 4 have the opportunity to read these selected books and vote on their favorite book in January.

Each summer, Canterbury Public Schools partakes in the Governor's Summer Reading Challenge. Students are to record the book titles they read on the recording sheet provided by their homeroom teacher. **The Governor's Summer Reading Challenge recording sheet is to be turned in to the reading teacher in September.**

Together we can make reading an integral part of your child's life. Relax and unwind this summer with a good book. Let reading take you away to somewhere special this summer!

Sincerely,

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<b>Author</b>	<b>Title</b>
<b>Picture Books</b>	
Baker, Keith	Hide and Snake; Quack and Count
Banks, Kate	The Cat That Walked Across France
Boelts, Maribeth	When It's the Last Day of School
Brown, Marc	Arthur (series); D.W. (series)
Cronin, Doree	Click Clack Moo; Duck for President; Diary of a Worm
Delton, Judy	Duck Goes Fishing
Enderle, Judith Ross	Six Sandy Sheep (series)
Fleming, Denise	In the Tall, Tall Grass; In the Small, Small Pond
Kellogg, Steven	A Penguin Pup for Pinkerton (Pinkerton series)
Long, Malinda	How I Became a Pirate
Maestro, Betsy	Bike Trip; Ferryboat
Miller, Sara Swan	Three Stories You Can Read to Your Dog...Your Cat
Osborne, Mary Pope	Kate and the Beanstalk
Pilkey, Dav	Paperboy
Williams, Mo	Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus; Pigeon Finds a Hot Dog
Yolen, Jane	Where Have the Unicorns Gone?; How Do Dinosaurs Say Good Night?
<b>Books for the Emergent Reader</b>	
Brown, Ruth	A Dark, Dark Tale
Buck, Nola	Oh, Cats!
Capucilli, Alyssa	Biscuits (series)
Carle, Eric	Does a Kangaroo Have a Mother Too?
Carle, Eric	Have You Seen My Cat? Do You Want to be My Friend?
Eastman, P.D.	Go, Dog, Go
Godwin, Laura	Happy and Honey (series)
Lewis, Wendy	"Buzz" Said the Bee
Meister, Cari	When Tiny was Tiny (series)
Rylant, Cynthia	Puppy Mudge (series)
Seuss, Dr.	Hop on Pop
Weeks, Sarah	Drip, Drop, Splish, Splash
<b>Easy Readers</b>	
Hoban, Lillian	Arthur's Camp-Out (series)
Howe, James	Pinky and Rex (series)
Lobel, Arnold	Frog and Toad (series)
Marshall, Edward	Three by the Sea; Fox on the Stage (Fox series)
Parish, Peggy	Amelia Bedelia (series)
Rylant, Cynthia	Henry and Mudge (series)
Sharmat, Marjorie W.	Nate the Great (series)
<b>Easy Chapter Books</b>	
Adler, David A.	Young Cam Jansen (series)
Danziger, Paula	What a Trip, Amber Brown (A is for Amber series)
Giff, Patricia Reilly	Ballet Slippers (series); Kids at Polk Street School (series)
Kline, Suzy	Horrible Harry (series)
Rylant, Cynthia	High-Rise Private Eyes (series)

<b>Author</b>	<b>Title</b>
<b>Non-Fiction</b>	
Aliko	My Visit to the Aquarium
Arnosky, Jim	All About Eggs
Berger, Melvin	Dive: A Book of the Deep-Sea Creatures
Bursik, Rose	Amelia's Fantastic Flight
Carter, Don	Get to Work, Trucks
Crews, Donald	Flying
Fowler, Allan	Frogs and Toads and Tadpoles, Too; It Still Could be a Bird: Please Don't Feed the Bears
DePaola, Tomi	The Popcorn Book; Quicksand Book
Gibbons, Gail	My Soccer Book; Fire! Fire!; Gulls...Gulls...Gulls
Holub, Joan	Why Do Rabbits Hop? Why do Dogs Bark? Why Do Cats Meow?
Maestro, Marco and Giulio	What Do You Hear When Cows Sing (riddles); Geese Find the Missing Piece (rhymes)
McGill, Alice	Sure as the Sunrise
Oppenheim, Joanne	Have You Seen Bugs?
Zoehfeld, Kathleen Weidner	What Lives in a Shell?

Canterbury Elementary School Summer Reading List Grades 3 and 4

<b>Author</b>	<b>Title</b>
<b>Fiction</b>	
Adler, David A.	Cam Jansen (series)
Asch, Frank	The Ghost of P.S. 42 (Class Pets series)
Auch, Mary Jane	I Was a Third Grade Science Project
Christoher, Matt	Peach Street Mudders (series); Soccer Cats (series)
Clements, Andrew	Jake Drake (series); Frindle; The Report Card
Coville, Bruce	Jennifer Murdley's Toad; Dragon of Doom (series)
Danziger, Paula	Amber Brown (series)
deGroat, Diane	Annie Pitts (series)
DiCamillo, Kate	Because of Winn-Dixie; Tale of Despereaux
Gutman, Dan	Babe and Me; Honous and Me; Million Dollar (series)
Hest, Amy	Private Notebook of Katie Roberts, Age 11
Howe, James	Tale From the House of Bunnacula (series)
Kline, Suzy	Horrible Harry (series); Mary Marony (series)
Lewis, C. S.	The Lion, The Witch, and the Wardrobe (Chronicles of Narnia)
Lowry, Lois	All About Sam (series); Gooney Bird Green
McKenna, Colleen O.	Third Grade Stinks!
Rylant, Cynthia	Cobble Street Cousins (series); Thimbleberry (series)
Skurzynski, Gloria	Wolf Stalker (National Parks Mystery series)
Warner, Gertrude Chandler	Boxcar Children (series)
<b>Mystery</b>	
Bruchac, Joseph	Skeleton Man
Byars, Betsey	Disappearing Acts
Defelice, Cynthia	The Ghosts of Cutler Creek
Snicket, Lemony	Series of Unfortunate Events
<b>Realistic Fiction</b>	
Gantos, Jack	Joey Pigza Swallowed the Key
Horvath, Polly	Everything on a Waffle
Hughes, Dean	Homerun Hero
<b>Fantasy/ Sci Fi</b>	
Avi	Something Upstaris
Fox, Helen	Eager
Langrish, Katherine	Troll Fell
Mackel, Kathy	Alien in a Bottle
Waugh, Silvia	Space Race

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<b>Non-Fiction</b>	
Aliki	Mummies Made in Egypt
Arnold, Caroline	Shockers of the Sea; and other Electric Animals
Arnosky, Jim	All About Rattlesnakes; All About Sharks
Ballard, Robert D.	Exploring the Titanic
Chambers, Veronica	Amistad Rising
Cole, Joanna	Magic School Bus (series)
George, Jean Craighead	How to Talk to Your Dog
Gibbons, Gail	Bats
Gibbons, Gail	The Honey Makers
Gibbons, Gail	Sunken Treasure
Markle, Sandra	Outside and Inside Sharks
O'Brien, Patrick	Mammoth
Simon, Seymour	Hurricanes
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Wallace, Mary	I Can Make That! Fantastic Crafts for Kids
Webb, Sophie	My Season with Penguins; an Antarctic Journal
<b>Poetry</b>	
Florian, Douglas	Summersaults
George, Kristine O'Connell	Little Dog Poems
Janezko, Paul B.	Dirty Laundry Pile
Kennedy, X.J.	Exploding Gravy: Poems to Make You Laugh
Prelutsky, Jack	The Dragons Are Singing Tonight
Prelutsky, Jack	For Laughing Out Louder