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Springfield School District Summer Literacy Link

Summer 2023

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IT'S SUMMERTIME....

LET'S HIT ONE OUT OF THE
◆ PARK FOR ◆
LITERACY AND LEARNING!!



Summer Activities for Literacy & Learning

Summertime is a time to slow down the pace, explore new places, and enjoy some summer fun! It's a time to go to the playground, the pool, the shore, or the mountains...check out zoos, museums, and aquariums, and spend time relaxing with family and friends. In addition to these wonderful experiences, we ask that you take time to support your child's on-going growth as a reader, writer, mathematician, scientist, thinker, and lifelong learner. In order to help you, this **Literacy Link** is devoted to summertime literacy and learning activities that you can share with your child.

This **Literacy Link** lists a variety of books for you and your child to share this summer. The more time your child spends reading, or listening to you read, the better he or she will be at reading and understanding what he or she reads. We encourage you to read to your child and with your child as often as you can. Encourage your child read everyday during the summer, and watch them grow as readers.

In addition to reading, children should practice math facts, study sight words, explore the world around them, and expand their thinking through a variety of fun activities. Keep them active and keep thinking!

Students can use the **Summer Reading Log**, located on the back page of this newsletter, to list the books you enjoyed throughout the summer. Have fun this summer!!

In the fall, we celebrate all the reading, writing, thinking, learning, and growing
that happened during the summer!



*Additional copies of the **Summer Literacy Link** and
the **Summer Reading Log** can be found on
the SSD website www.ssdcougars.org. *



SUMMER READING RECOMMENDATIONS

FUN BOOKS FOR YOUNG READERS

Hi! Fly Guy by Tedd Arnold

Bad Kitty by Nick Bruel

Duck, Duck, Dinosaur by Kallie George

Meet Mr. & Mrs. Green by Keith Baker

Gus Gets Scared by Frank Remkiewicz

The Pirate Jamboree by Mark Teague

The Paperboy by Dav Pilkey

The Doorbell Rang by Pat Hutchins

Dogs and Cats by Steve Jenkins

Duck Soup by Jackie Urbanovic

Best Friends by Cork and Fuzz by Dori Chaconas

Wild About Books by Judy Sierra & Marc Brown

Froggy Gets Dressed by Jonathan London & Frank Remkiewicz

Fancy Nancy by Jane O'Connor

Zen Shorts by Jon Muth



Who Says That, Cat the Cat? By Mo Willems

Are We There Yet? by Dan Santat

Kitten's First Full Moon by Kevin Henkes

Duck and Goose by Tad Hills

Silly Tilly by Eileen Spinelli

Cowlick by Christin Ditchfield

Knufflebunny by Mo Willems

Duncan the Story Dragon by Amanda Driscoll

Puppy Mudge Has a Snack by Cynthia Rylant

Tiny on the Farm by Cari Meister & Rich Davis

The Very Cranky Bear by Nick Bland

The Princess and the Pony by Kate Beaton

Biscuit Goes to School by Alyssa S. Capucilli

Not Afraid of Dogs by Susanna Pitzer

The Perfect Nest by Catherine Friend

Lenny & Lucy by Philip C. Stead

A is for Amber by Paula Danziger

Best In Show for Rotten Ralph by Jack Gantos

Police Cloud by Christopher Niemann

The Great Fuzz Frenzy by Janet Stevens

Zen Socks by Jon Muth



Bad Boys by Margie Palatini

Surf's Up by Kwame Alexander

A Splendid Friend Indeed by Suzanne Bloom

Skippy Jon Jones by Judith Schachner

A Story For Bear by Dennis Haseley

Mrs. Watson Wants Your Teeth by Alison McGhee

SUPER SERIES FOR YOUNG READERS

Henry and Mudge by Cynthia Rylant

Minnie and Moo by Denys Cazet

High Rise Private Eyes by Cynthia Rylant

Pinky and Rex by James Howe

Zelda and Ivy by Laura Kvasnosky

Zach Files by Don Greenberg

Magic Treehouse House by Mary Pope Osborne

Marty McGuire by Kate Messner

Ivy and Bean by Annie Barrows

Rainbow Magic by Daisy Meadows

A to Z Mysteries by Ron Roy

Stink by Megan McDonald

Gus and Grandpa by Claudia Mills

The Haunted Library by Dori H. Butler

Rainbow Street Shelter by Wendy Orr

Franny K. Stein, Mad Scientist by Jim Benton

Wild Willie Mysteries (series) by Barbara Joose

Katie Kazoo Switcheroo by Nancy Krulik

Iris and Walter by Elissa Guest

Jigsaw Jones Mystery by James Preller

Mercy Watson by Kate DiCamillo

Young Cam Jansen by David Adler

Ballpark Mysteries by David A. Kelly

Marvin Redpost by Louis Sachar

Martin Bridge by Jessica Scott

Cam Jansen by David Adler

Dragon Slayer's Academy by Kate McMullen

Who Would Win? by Jerry Pallotta

Secrets of Droon by Tony Abbott

Polk Street School by Patricia Reilly

Iris and Walter by Elissa Guest

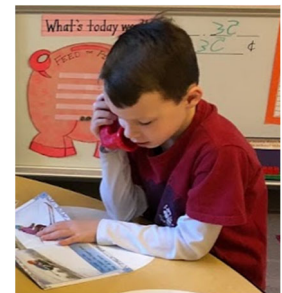
Capital Mysteries by Ron Roy

Dragonbreath by Ursula Vernon

Fairy Realm by Emily Rodda

Big Nate by Lincoln Pierce

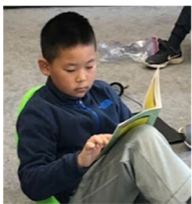
Dork Diary by Rachel Renee Russell



SUMMER READING RECOMMENDATIONS

AWESOME BOOKS FOR OLDER READERS

I Am the Ice Worm by MaryAnn Easley
The Wednesday Wars by Gary Schmidt
A Lion to Guard Us by Clyde Robert Bulla
On the Wings of Heroes by Richard Peck
The Boy of a Thousand Faces by Brian Selznick
The Tail of Emily Windsap by Liz Kessler & Sara Gibb
The One and Only Ivan by Katherine Applegate
The Mystery of Rascal Pratt by Robbie Scott & Gary Cianciarulo
Al Capone Does My Shirts by Gennifer Choldenko
Stowaway by Karen Hesse
George and the Big Bang by Stephen & Lucy Hawking



Gaby, Lost and Found by Angela Cervantes
The Hero Two Doors Down by Sharon Robinson
The Silver Coach by Carole Adler
Rules by Cynthia Lord
Shadow by Michael Morpurgo

Fever 1793 by Laurie Halse Anderson
Terrific by Jon Agee
Chomp by Carl Hiaasen
Baseball in April by Gary Soto
Kit's Wilderness by David Almond
The Matchlock Gun by Walter D. Edmonds
No Talking by Andrew Clements
The Sword in the Tree by Clyde Robert Bulla
Ruby Holler by Sharon Creech
Brown Girl Dreaming by Jacqueline Woodson
Crenshaw by Katherine Applegate
Some Kind of Courage by Dan Gemeinhart
The Lost Track of Time by Paige Britt & Lee White
Frindle by Andrew Clements
Lost on a Mountain in Maine by Donn Fendler
A Strong Right Arm by Michelle Y. Green



GREAT SERIES FOR OLDER READERS

Ghosthunters by Cornelia Funke
The Heroes of Olympus by Rick Riordan
Spiderwick Chronicles by Holly Black
Judy Moody by Megan McDonald
Amelia by Marissa Moss
The Last Dragon Chronicles by Chris d'Lacey
39 Clues by R. Riordan
Boxcar Children by Gertrude Chandler Warner

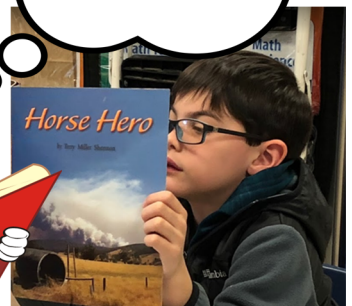
Andrew Lost by J.C. Greenburg
The Kane Chronicles by R. Riordan
Owen Foote by Stephanie Greene
The Virginia Mysteries by Steven K. Smith
A Series of Unfortunate Events by Lemony Snicket
Mostly Ghostly by R.L. Stine
Time Warp Trio by Jon Scieszka
The Black Stallion by Walter Farley



AMAZING AUTHORS WITH TOO MANY GREAT BOOKS TO NAME

Avi—The Fighting Ground, Poppy, Night Journeys, Something Upstairs, The Secret School
Katherine Patterson—Bridge to Terabithia, Flip-Flop Girl, Park's Quest, Great Gilly Hopkins
Rick Riordan—The Lightning Thief, The Red Pyramid, The Sword of Summer, The Lost Hero
Patricia Riley Giff—Lily's Crossing, Pictures of Hollis Woods, Gingersnap, Genevieve's War
Gary Paulson—Hatchet, Dogsong, Brian's Winter, Woods Runner, The River, Lawn Boy
Kate DiCamillo—Because of Winn Dixie, Tale of Despereaux, Tiger Rising
Louis Sachar—Holes, Small Steps, Fuzzy Mud, Wayside School Series
Lois Lowry—The Giver, Gossamer, Gathering Blue, Bless This Mouse
Laurence Yep—City of Fire, Dragon War, Star Fisher, The Magic Paintbrush
Beverly Cleary—Ramona, Strider, The Mouse and the Motorcycle
Roald Dahl—Matilda, The Witches, The Twits, The BFG, Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, James and the Giant Peach
J. K. Rowling, **Jacqueline Woodson**, **Dav Pinkey**, **Madeleine L'Engle...**

The children's section of the Springfield Library has these books and plenty more for your summer reading.



Springfield Public Library 70 Powell Road
www.springfieldtwplib.org 610.543.2113

Springfield Elementary Schools' Summer Reading Log

Write the title and author of the book on the lines below.

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