

Dear Rising Fourth Graders,

Happy summer! I look forward to starting fourth grade with you in August. In order to keep all the wonderful skills you gained in third grade, you will be asked to complete a summer math review book (provided), as well as the following summer reading assignment. Reading is a wonderful way to learn about different cultures, people, time periods, and experiences, as well as ignite our imaginations

You should read at least **FOUR** chapter books over the summer. **TWO** of the chapter books should be selected from the list below. You will complete a journal entry (2-page form PROVIDED below!) for **EACH** of the four books.

Choose **two** of the four required books from the following list:

- *Frindle* by Andrew Clements
- Nim's Island by Wendy Orr
- The Phantom Tollbooth by Norton Juster
- Rickshaw Girl by Mitali Perkins

These books are classics and I hope you enjoy them! The other two books are to be chapter books of your choice. Please complete journal entries for these two books as well. A list of recommended titles, authors, and series are given below.

ALL summer work is due the first day back to school, August 24, 2023. Please be sure you have your Math Review Book and Summer Reading Journal (with **AT LEAST FOUR** entries!) ready to turn in.

ENJOY your summer!

My Reading Journal

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DRAW A FAVORITE SCENE FROM YOUR BOOK AND EXPLAIN WHAT IS HAPPENING IN THE DRAWING.

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HELPFUL SENTENCE STARTERS:

*USE ONE (OR MORE!) OF THESE SENTENCE STARTERS TO HELP GUIDE YOUR RESPONSE TO THE BOOKS YOU READ OVER THE SUMMER.

I NOTICED... I BELIEVE... I HAVE A QUESTION ABOUT ... I DID NOT UNDERSTAND... **I** AGREE WITH... I DISAGREE WITH... IN MY OPINION... I WONDER WHY... I WONDER WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IF... I LIKED... I DISLIKED... THE TITLE FITS THE STORY BECAUSE ... THE SETTING FIT THE STORY BECAUSE... MY FAVORITE CHARACTER WAS_____, BECAUSE... MY FAVORITE SCENE WAS______, BECAUSE... MY LEAST FAVORITE CHARACTER WAS_____, BECAUSE...

BASED ON_____, I THINK...



Below is a list of suggested authors, book series, or book titles for 4th grade summer reading. Feel free to read what interests you as these books are not required and this is not meant to be a complete reading list.

| Suggested Authors: | Suggested Series: |
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| Judy Blume | The Percy Jackson series |
| Beverly Cleary | The Red Wall series |
| Andrew Clements | Great Illustrated Classics |
| Roald Dahl | My Side of the Mountain series |
| Kate DiCamillo | The 39 Clues series |
| Dan Gutman | Judy Moody series |
| Jeff Kinney | Justin Case series |
| Gordon Korman | Nancy Drew |
| Lois Lowry | Hardy Boys |
| Mike Lupica | Encyclopedia Brown |
| Mary Pope Osborne | The Last Dogs: The Vanishing |
| Gary Paulsen | "I Survived" series |
| Dav Pilkey | "I Am" series |
| Rick Riordan | "Who Was?" series |
| Barbara Robinson | |
| J.K. Rowling | |
| Louis Sachar | |
| Jerry Spinelli | |
| R.L. Stine | |
| E.B. White | |
| Laura Ingalls Wilder | |
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Suggested Books:

- Shiloh
- Because of Winn Dixie
- Island of the Blue Dolphin
- The Lemonade War
- Bridge to Terabithia
- Summer According to Humphrey
- Stick Dog
- Precious Bones
- Tracing Stars
- Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing
- The Incredible Journey
- The Boxcar Children
- Bud, Not Buddy
- Riley Mack and the Other Known Troublemakers
- Kneeknock Rise
- Three Times Lucky
- Elijah of Buxton
- Al Capone Does My Shirts
- Ella Enchanted
- Rascal
- Matilda
- Number the Stars
- Pippi Longstocking
- Rules
- The Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe
- The Invention of Hugo Cabret
- The Secret Garden
- The Whipping Boy
- Tuck Everlasting
- Love That Dog
- Pie
- Where the Mountain Meets the Moon
- Lawn Boy
- The Strange Case of Origami Yoda
- Swindle