



## Summer Reading 2018



A warm day, a lounge chair and a good book - sounds like a great place to be! We encourage our students to read throughout the summer to prevent a "summer slide", the decrease in reading skills teachers notice at the beginning of a new school year. Research shows that avid readers perform better in the areas of reading, writing, and concentrating in school.

**We are enclosing a list of required books for your students to read this summer.** Refer to the grade level that your child will be entering in the Fall of 2018 for the summer reading assignments. Please reference your child's independent reading level (IRL) for the other "non required" book. The IRL can be located on the STAR report sent home with your child or by logging into their AR account, where they can obtain their ZPD, or reading level range. **To help select books at your student's ZPD level go to [www.arbookfind.com](http://www.arbookfind.com), click on advanced search and indicate the ZPD range.**

The requirements for each grade level are listed below:

**Grades 1-3:** Read AT LEAST five (5) books (including the required book). Students must complete the Book Report form for the required book and complete the Reading Log for their selected books. All forms can be found on our school website. Return the completed Reading Log and Book Report form to their teacher when school resumes in August.

Grade 1 Required Book: Wemberly Worried by Kevin Henkes

Grade 2 Required Book: Get Ready for Second Grade, Amber Brown by Paula Danziger

Grade 3 Required Book: Freckle Juice by Judy Blume

**Grades 4-8:** Read at least two (2) books: the required book and one of the student's choice at their appropriate reading level. Complete the grade appropriate Book Report Form found on our school website for BOTH books and return completed forms to their teacher when school resumes in August. Please use the Reading Log to list all books you read this summer!

Grade 4 Required Book: Because of Winn Dixie by Kate DiCamillo

Grade 5 Required Book: Frindle by Andrew Clements

Grade 6 Required Book: Esperanza Rising by Pam Munoz Ryan

Grade 7 Required Book: The Outsiders by S.E. Hinton

Grade 8 Required Book: Tangerine by Edward Bloor