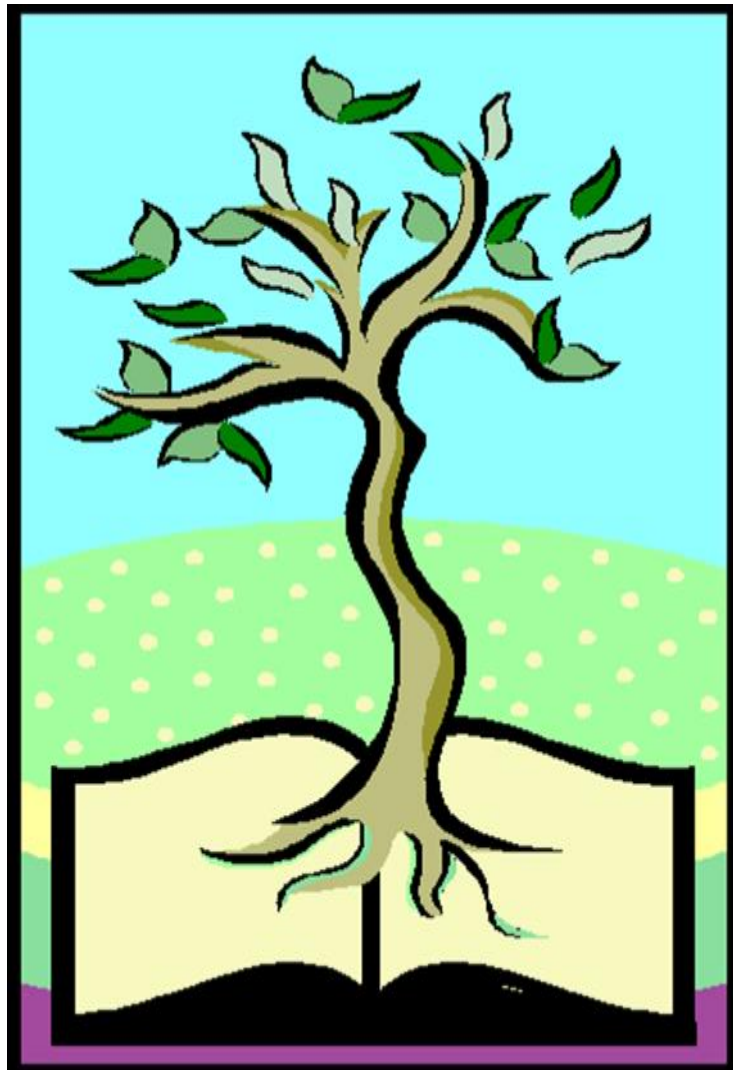


WISE SCHOOL

The Diener & Kadner Families Library
Summer 2017 Reading Suggestions



Happy Reading!
Mrs. Roberta Lloyd, Library Director

KINDERGARTEN SUGGESTIONS: PICTURE BOOKS

Agee, Jon *Lion Lessons*
A boy learns the seven lessons on how to be a proper lion.

Brown, Lisa *The Airport Book*
Everything you want to know about the airport from a young boy, his sister, and parents who are traveling to the grandparents house.

Castillo, Lauren *Nana in the City*
A young boy visits his grandmother in the noisy, big city, and she teaches him it's a wonderful place to live. (Caldecott Award)

Fleming, Candace *Go Sleep in Your Own Bed*
Grumpy farm animals are sleeping in the wrong beds.

Idle, Molly Schaar *Flora and the Peacocks*
In this wordless picture book, a dance develops between a girl named Flora and two peacocks.

Mack, Jeff *Look!*
With only two words, a gorilla tries his best to have a little boy notice him.

Pizzoli, Greg *Good Night Owl*
Owl cannot fall asleep until he finds the source of a noise.

Rinker, Sherri Duskey *Steam Train, Dream Train*
In this book with rhyming text, the dream train pulls into the station and all the different cars are loaded by the animal workers, each with the appropriate cargo.

Soltis, Sue *Nothing Like a Puffin*
A narrator sets out to prove that there is nothing like a puffin but discovers that many things, including a newspaper and a helicopter, are a little bit like one, and that a penguin is very much like a puffin.

Twohy, Mike *Oops, Pounce, Quick, Run! An Alphabet Caper*
Mouse is asleep until the dog's ball rolls into his house!

1ST GRADE SUGGESTIONS: PICTURE BOOKS

Barnett, Mac *Sam and Dave Dig a Hole*
Two boys with their dogs set out to dig a hole...and a whole lot more. (Caldecott Award)

Barnett, Mac *Triangle*
Triangle tries to trick Square.

Cooper, Elisha *8: An Animal Alphabet*
Beautiful watercolors of animals, each with eight pictures.

Cordell, Matthew *Wolf in the Snow*
Wordless picture book warmly depicting a girl in a red hood, lost in a snowstorm, caring for a wolf cub, also lost in the snowstorm.

Edwards, Michelle *A Hat for Mrs. Goldman: A Story About Knitting and Love*
Lovely Mrs. Goldman knits hats for everyone in her neighborhood so Sophia does a mitzvah for Mrs. Goldman.

Empson, Jo *Chimpanzees for Tea!*
Vincent's mother sends him to the grocery store to pick up some things, but his memory lapses and he brings home other things.

Fan, Terry and Eric Fan *The Night Gardener*
Topiaries are appearing in William's neighborhood and he sneaks out at night to find out why.

Heller, Linda *How Dalia Put a Big Yellow Comforter Inside a Tiny Blue Box: And Other Wonders of Tzedakah*
After learning about the Jewish tradition of tzedakah boxes, Dalia shares her knowledge with her younger brother, Yossi, by telling him what her savings can help to provide for someone in need.

Nelson, Kadir *If You Plant a Seed*
Kindness is shown when a rabbit and mouse plant their vegetables.

Ward, Jennifer *Mama Built a Little Nest*
Illustrations and simple rhyming text introduce different kinds of birds' nests, from the scrapes falcons build on high, craggy ledges to the underground nests burrowing owls dig.

1ST GRADE SUGGESTIONS: BEGINNING READERS

Adler, David A. *Don't Throw It to Mo!*
Mo is the smallest player on his football team, but he wants to play.

Arnold, Tedd *There's a Fly Guy in My Soup (series)*
When Fly Guy is not allowed in the restaurant with Buzz's family he follows his nose and ends up in the soup.

Birney, Betty *Humphrey's Mixed-up Magic Trick (Humphrey's Tiny Tales) (series)*
The kids in Room 26 are talking about occupations.

Chaconas, Dori *Cork & Fuzz: The Swimming Lesson (series)*
Cork the muskrat wants his best friend Fuzz, a possum, to visit his home, but first he must teach Fuzz to swim and not be afraid of the water.

Henkes, Kevin *Penny and Her Song (series)*
Penny comes home from school eager to share her very own song, but must wait until the time is right to teach it to her parents and the babies.

Hoberman, Mary Ann *You Read to Me, I'll Read to You: Very Short Tall Tales to Read Together*
(series)

This collection of tall tales includes stories about Johnny Appleseed, Annie Oakley, and Paul Bunyan.

Holub, Joan *Scat Cats!*

Cats cause so much trouble in a house that they are shoed away--and then missed!

Keller, Laurie and Mo Willems *We Are Growing*

Blades of grass are so excited that they are each special and they are all growing.

Lin, Grace *Ling & Ting Share a Birthday* (series)

Identical twins Ling and Ting share their party gifts, cakes, and wishes.

McMullan, Kate *Pearl & Wagner: Five Days to Summer* (series)

Pearl is worried about her teacher next year.

Manushkin, Fran *Katie Woo Loves School* (series)

Miss Winkle, her teacher, makes school exciting.

Michalak, Jamie *Joe and Sparky Go to School* (series)

Joe and Sparky leave the zoo and go on a school bus.

Milgrim, David *Go, Otto, Go!*

Otto builds a spaceship to get back into space to see his family.

Parish, Herman *Amelia Bedelia Goes Camping* (series)

Amelia gets mixed-up and the camping trip becomes very entertaining.

Rylant, Cynthia *Annie and Snowball and the Wedding Day* (series)

Annie's father gets remarried.

Rylant, Cynthia *Henry and Mudge and the Tumbling Trip: the Twenty-Seventh Book of their Adventures* (series)

Henry, his parents, and his dog, Mudge, take a vacation out West, where they enjoy tumbleweeds, desert animals, souvenirs, and the wide open spaces.

Rylant, Cynthia *Mr. Putter & Tabby Drop the Ball* (series)

Mr. Putter and Tabby join a baseball team.

Rylant, Cynthia *Puppy Mudge Wants to Play* (series)

Mudge tries all sorts of things to get Henry to stop reading and play with him instead.

Schneider, Josh *Tales for Very Picky Eaters*

A father tells outlandish stories while trying to get his young son to eat foods his son thinks he will not like.

Sharmat, Marjorie *Nate the Great Where Are You?* (series)

Nate the Great and his dog, Sludge, go to the woods for peace and quiet.

Silverman, Erica *Cowgirl Kate and Cocoa: Spring Babies* (series)
Cowgirl Kate and her horse Cocoa watch over the new calves, a puppy, and some baby barn owls.

Willems, Mo *Cat the Cat, Who is That?* (series)
An exuberant cat introduces readers to her friends.

Willems, Mo *I Really Like Slop!* (series)
Gerald does not want to try the slop Piggie has made.

2ND GRADE SUGGESTIONS: PICTURE BOOKS

Adler, David A. *Let's Estimate: A Book About Estimating and Rounding Numbers*
The concept of estimation is explained in a fun way like how many pizzas for a dinosaur party.

Bang, Molly *Rivers of Sunlight: How the Sun Moves Water Around the Earth*
Told by the sun, this is a fascinating explanation of the water cycle.

Fleming, Candace *Giant Squid*
Beautifully illustrated non-fiction book explores the mysterious world of the squid.

Glaser, Linda *Stone Soup with Matzoh Balls: A Passover Tale in Chelm*
In this familiar tale, the town of Chelm is tricked into making soup for the stranger. (Sydney Taylor Award)

Green, John Patrick *Hippopotamister*
In this graphic novel, Hippo and Red Panda leave their rundown zoo and venture out into the human world to try different jobs.

Jenkins, Steve *Eye to Eye: How Animals See the World*
The eyes of animals are examined.

Krasner, Barbra *Goldie Takes a Stand: Golda Meir's First Crusade*
At age nine, Golda Meir took charge. (Sydney Taylor Award)

Polacio, R.J. *We're All Wonders*
Based on the middle grade novel *Wonder*, this book discusses the importance of being kind to all people, especially those with physical differences.

Schlitz, Laura Amy *Princess Cora and the Crocodile*
An overscheduled Princess meets a crocodile that helps her have some time to have a day off.

Sayre, April Pulley *Raindrops Roll*
With beautiful photographs, the nature of rain, raindrops, and the water cycle are described.

2ND GRADE SUGGESTIONS: EARLY CHAPTER BOOKS

Barrows, Annie *Ivy + Bean: Take the Case* (series)
Ivy and Bean create their own mysterious adventure.

Birney, Betty *Spring According to Humphrey* (series)
Humphrey and the class prepare for Family Fun Night at school.

Butler, Dori Hillestad *The Buddy Files: The Case of the Library Monster* (series)
Buddy the dog discovers a strange, blue-tongued creature in the school library, and investigates what it is and how it got there.

Clanton, Ben *Narwhal: Unicorn of the Sea* (1st in a series)
Narwhal and Jellyfish meet in the ocean and become friends. (Graphic Novel)

Cronin, Doreen *Dark Shadows: Yes, Another Misadventure* (The Chicken Squad series)
Mystery on a chicken family vacation.

DiCamillo, Kate *Mercy Watson: Something Wonky This Way Comes* (series)
When Mr. and Mrs. Watson and their pig Mercy take in a movie at the Bijou Drive-In, mayhem ensues after Mercy smells the enticing scent of hot buttered popcorn.

Hale, Shannon *The Princess in Black Takes a Vacation* (series)
The Princess needs to take a vacation but there are problems at the beach.

Harper, Charise Mericle *Just Grace and the Super Sleepover* (series)
Grace is nervous about the outdoor sleepover, and one lie leads to another.

Kimmelman, Leslie *Sam and Charlie (and Sam Too!) at Camp* (series)
A boy named Sam, a girl named Charlie, and Charlie's sister who is also named Sam, go to summer camp and learn about "shomrei adamah," to be guardians of the earth.

Lowry, Lois *Gooney Bird and the Room Mother* (series)
Gooney Bird's class is preparing for Thanksgiving.

McDonald, Megan *Judy Moody and the Bucket List* (series)
Judy Moody learns what a bucket list is from her grandmother and wants to have her own.

Nelson, Jessie *Labracadabra*
Zach isn't impressed with his new dog, Larry, at first...but it's not very long before Zach knows that he and Larry will be Best Friends Forever!

Rouss, Sylvia *Mitzvah the Mutt*
A dog, rescued by a Jewish family, is taught the Jewish holidays.

Roy, Ron *The White Wolf (A to Z Mysteries)* (series)
While visiting their friend Wallis and her adopted daughter on Mount Desert Island, Maine, Josh, Dink, and Ruth Rose investigate why three white wolf cubs were stolen, and by whom.

Underwood, Deborah *Interstellar Cinderella*
In a twist of the Cinderella story, this rhyming tale's heroine dreams of becoming an outer space mechanic.

Voake, Steve *Daisy Dawson and the Farm* (series)
Everyday adventures with a girl who can talk to animals!

Willems, Mo *The Story of Diva and Flea*
Diva the dog and Flea the cat have adventures in Paris, France.

3RD GRADE SUGGESTIONS:

Adler, David A. *Cam Jansen and the Millionaire Mystery* (series)
Using her excellent memory, Cam Jansen, aided by her friend Eric, investigates the disappearance of Mrs. Scott's valuable pearl necklace during a charity brunch.

Adler, David A *Millions, Billions, & Trillions: Understanding Big Numbers*
Huge numbers are hard to comprehend. This book explains quantities in terms children can understand. For example, one million dollars could buy two full pizzas a day for more than sixty-eight years.

Chin, Jason *Grand Canyon*
Beautifully illustrated non-fiction look at the Grand Canyon detailing its geography and geology.

Jenkins, Steve *Animals by the Numbers: A Book of Infographics*
Facts about animals presented in compelling graphs and charts.

Levy, Debbie *I Dissent: Ruth Bader Ginsburg Makes Her Mark*
Biography of Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsberg and her life's challenges to fight for the rights of women and men. (Sydney Taylor Award)

Mattick, Lindsay *Finding Winnie: the True Story of the World's Most Famous Bear*
The true story of how Canadian veterinarian Captain Harry Colebourn rescued a bear cub in 1914 as he was on his way to Europe, and that bear became the idea for A.A. Milne's Winnie-the-Pooh. (Newbery Award)

Newman, Leslea *Ketzel: The Cat Who Composed*
The true story of a creative musician's cat named Ketzel, who composed a short award-winning piano piece. (Sydney Taylor Award)

Rosenthal, Betsy R. *An Ambush of Tigers: A Wild Gathering of Collective Nouns*
Clever poetic presentation of collective nouns.

Roy, Katherine *Neighborhood Sharks: Hunting with the Great Whites of California's Farallon Islands*
An in-depth view of the great white sharks of California.

Sweet, Melissa *Some Writer: The Story of E. B. White*
Beautiful biography of E. B. White, the author of *Charlotte's Web*, incorporating photographs, and illustrations.

4TH GRADE SUGGESTIONS:

Ain, Beth *Izzy Klein Has Butterflies*
Starting fourth grade has Izzy thinking about school, friends and her family.

Bell, Cece *El Deafo*
In this graphic novel, Bell experiences what it's like to grow up with a hearing impairment. (Newbery Award)

Broach, Elise *Wolf Keepers*
Part mystery, part survival story in Yosemite National Park, two friends try to find out why zoo wolves are dying.

Brown, Peter *The Wild Robot*
Roz the robot finds herself on a remote island and needs to learn how to survive with the wildlife.

Holm, Jennifer L. *The Fourteenth Goldfish*
Jennifer's grandfather ages backwards.

Lewis, J. Patrick *National Geographic Book of Nature Poetry: More than 200 Poems With Photographs That Float, Zoom, and Bloom!*
The beauty of nature teamed with the beauty of poetic language.

Lin, Grace *When the Sea Turned to Silver*
Pinmei's grandmother, the storyteller, is kidnapped by the Tiger Emperor's soldiers and the race to free her begins.

Moranville, Sharelle Byars *27 Magic Words*
Two sisters move from Paris to Iowa and learn to cope with the loss of their parents and the challenge of going to a new school.

Riordan, Rick *Percy Jackson's Greek Gods*
Percy Jackson tells the story behind the Greek gods of Olympus.

Sepahban, Lois *Paper Wishes*
Story of a young Japanese American girl sent to an internment camp during World War II and her dog that is taken away.

5TH GRADE SUGGESTIONS:

Anderson, John David *Miss Bixby's Last Day*
Funny and melancholy story of three boys who want to visit and help their beloved teacher who is extremely ill in the hospital.

Barnhill, Kelly *The Girl Who Drank the Moon*
Fantasy about a good witch who saves a baby girl and mistakenly gives her magical powers. (Newbery Award)

Beasley, Kate *Gertie's Leap to Greatness*
Fifth grader Gertie wants to be the best fifth grader ever as she tries to keep her mother from moving away.

Bertman, Jennifer Chambliss *Book Scavenger*
Taking place in San Francisco, full of codes and puzzles, this story involves twelve-year-old Emily trying to find the answer to the secret of her literary idol and creator of an online game.

Connor, Leslie *All Rise for the Honorable Perry T. Cook*
Since birth, eleven year old Perry has lived with his inmate mother in a correctional facility until a new district attorney wants him sent to a foster home.

Draper, Sharon M. *Stella by Starlight*
Historical fiction focusing on the bravery of a fifth grade girl living in South Carolina during the 1930's, and the rise of the Ku Klux Klan in her town.

Gottesfeld, Jeff *The Tree in the Courtyard: Looking through Anne Frank's Window*
A moving tribute to Anne Frank and the tree which once stood outside her window.

Jamieson, Victoria *Roller Girl*
A graphic novel of a young girl's adolescence and the role that roller derby plays in her life. (Newbery Award)

Meyer, Susan Lynn *Skating With the Statue of Liberty*
Moving from France to New York City in the 1940's, twelve-year old Gustave faces prejudice and the problems of Jewish immigrants in his new school. (Sydney Taylor Award)

Polacio, R. J. *Auggie and Me: Three Wonder Stories*
Julian, Charlotte, and Christopher, three characters from the novel, *Wonder*, tell their personal stories.

6TH GRADE SUGGESTIONS:

Appelfeld, Aharon *Adam and Thomas*
Two Jewish boys are left in the French forest in hopes that they will survive the Holocaust. (Sydney Taylor Award)

Ben Izzy, Joel *Dreidels on the Brain*
Set in the 1970's in Los Angeles, Joel tries to survive school during Hanukkah as one of the only Jews in his class. (Sydney Taylor Award)

Benjamin, Ali *The Thing About Jellyfish*
Seventh grader Suzy finds it hard to deal with the death of her good friend who died while swimming in the ocean over the summer.

Bradley, Kimberly Brubaker *The War that Saved my Life*
A brother and his disabled sister are evacuated to the English countryside during World War II. (Newbery Award)

Dagg, Carole Estby

Sweet Home Alaska

During the Depression, a family of an eleven year old girl moves to Alaska as the United States government offers free land to start a New Deal colony.

Dauvillier, Loïc

Hidden: A Child's Story of the Holocaust

A graphic novel portraying a grandmother's experience as a child in France hiding from the Nazis. (Sydney Taylor Award)

Gidwitz, Adam

The Inquisitor's Tale: Or, The Three Magical Children and Their Holy Dog

Wondrous tale set in 13th century France about three children and a dog fighting religious intolerance, and trying to save a Talmud. (Newbery and Sydney Taylor Award)

Martin, Ann M.

Rain Reign

The story of Rose, challenged by Asperger's Syndrome, and her dog.

Ryan, Pam Munoz

Echo

Three stories over many decades are beautifully weaved together focusing on a magical harmonica. (Newbery Award)

Wolk, Lauren

Wolf Hollow

Twelve year old girl stands up to a bully who targets the special people in her life. (Newbery Award)