

Dear Parents/Guardians,

A love of reading and life-long learning develops when schools and families work together toward this goal. Each June, we provide families with information about student expectations for reading during the summer. In the fall, we expect that children will return to school with a record of the books that they have read throughout the summer. Researcher Richard Allington has found that when children do not read for the two months of summer vacation they lose three months of growth as a reader. We ask that you work with your child to complete this work.

Throughout the year, we continue to ask parents to partner with us by making reading a part of your daily family life. Every student is expected to read each night as part of their homework. The length of time of this homework assignment is dependent on the grade. Students will be keeping a log throughout the school year to record their reading. This log is used to help teachers, parents, and students themselves understand the student as a reader.

We are looking forward to a wonderful year. By partnering together, we can ensure that your child can and will learn at higher levels. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Chris La Belle
Principal

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Six to Six Magnet School Summer Reading Book List Grades 1-5

Level C - 4

Brown Bear, Brown Bear – Eric Carle

My Dream – A. M. Heath

One for You and One for Me – Sarah Albe and Karen Craig

Rainbow of My Own – Don Freeman

Spot, Feathers and Curly Tails – Nancy Tafur

What Has Stripes – Mary Elizabeth Salzmann

Tails – Matthew Van Fleet

Level D - 6

Bears in the Night – Stan Berenstain

Bears on Wheels – Stan Berenstain

Blue Bug's Vegetable Garden – Virginia Poulet

The Chick and the Duckling – Mirra Ginsburg, Jose Aruego

Sam's Ball – Barbro Lindgren

Ten Little Rabbits – Virginia Grossman

26 Letters, 99 cents – Tanya Hoban

The Icky Bug Counting Book – Jerry Pallotta

Level E - 8

Five Little Monkeys Jumping on the Bed – Eileen Christelow

Go Dog Go – P.D. Eastman

Inside, Outside, Upside Down – Stan Berenstain

The School - Emily Arnold Mccully

Sweet Potato Pie – Kathleen D. Lindsey

Wake Up, Sun! – David I. Harrison

Where's Spot – Eric Hill

Math Start (series) – Bruce MacMillian

Level F - 10

Across the Stream – Mirra Ginsburg

Biscuit (series) – Alyssa Satin Capucilli

A Bug, A Bear, and A Boy – David McPhail

Cat Goes Fiddle-i-fee – Harriet Ziefert

Cookie's Week – Cindy Ward

Itchy, Itchy Chicken Pox – Grace Maccarone

Pizza Party! – Pat Hutchins

Who Will Be My Friends? – Syd Hoff

Level G – 12

Boris Bad Enough – Robert Kraus

The Carrot Seed – Ruth Krauss

The Day I Had To Play With My Sister – Crosby Bonsall

The Great Race – Milliron

I'm a Caterpillar – Jean Marzollo

Look Whooo's Counting – Suse MacDonald

Mine's the Best – Crosby Bonsall

P.J. Funnybunny Camps Out – Marilyn Sadler

Rabbit's Party – Stuart J. Murphy

Sheep on a Ship – Nancy E. Shaw

SHHHH! – Jeanne Willis

Spot's First Walk – Eric Hill

Level H – 14

Brave Norman (Series) – Andrew Clements

Captain Cat – Syd Hoff

Danny and the Dinosaur Go To Camp – Syd Hoff

Goodnight, Moon – Margaret Wise Brown

Just Me and My Dad – Mercer Mayer

Little Bear (Series) – Diane Namm

My Crayons Talk – Patricia Hubbard

Sammy the Seal – Syd Hoff

Waiting for Wings – Lois Ehlert

We Are Best Friends – Alike

Wemberly Worried – Kevin Henkes

Whose Mouse are You? – Robert Kraus

Level I – 16

Andrew's Loose Tooth – Robert Munsh

Barney's Horse – Syd Hoff

Bike Lesson – Stan Berenstain

Dot the Fire Dog – Lisa Desimini

Father Bear Comes Home – Else Holmelund Minarik

Goodnight, Owl! – Pat Hutchins

Hattie and the Fox – Mem Fox

I Took My Frog to the Library – Eric A. Kimmel

Knuffle Bunny – Mo Williams

Leo the Late Bloomer – Robert Kraus

Mrs. Brice's Mice – Syd Hoff

The Napping House – Audrey Wood

Level J – 18

The Doorbell Rang – Pat Hutchins
Fox on the Job (series) – James Marshall
Happy Birthday, Danny and the Dinosaur – Syd Hoff
Henry and Mudge (series) – Cynthia Rylant
Hop on Pop – Dr. Seuss
Miss Bindergarten (series) – Joseph Slate
Morris and Boris (series) – B. Wiseman
Mr. Putter and Tabby (series) – Cynthia Rylant
Officer Buckle and Gloria – Peggy Rathman
Olivia – Ian Falconer
Poppleton (series) – Cynthia Rylant

Level K - 20

Albert – Donna Jo Napoli
Annie and the Wild Animals – Jan Brett
Arthur (series) by Lillian Hoban – Marc Brown
Bread and Jam for Frances – Russell Hoban
The Cat in the Hat – Dr. Seuss
Click Clack Moo Cows that Type – Doreen Cronin
Commander Toad (series) – Jane Yolan
Diary of a Worm – Doreen Cronin
Frog and Toad (series) – Arnold Lobel
Henry Hikes to Fitchburg – D.B. Johnson
Hot Day on Abbott Avenue – Karen English
If You Give a Mouse a Cookie – Laura Jaffe Numeroff
Iris and Walter (series) – Elissa Haden Guest
Love and Roast Chicken – Barbara Knutson
Lunch Bunnies – Kathryn Lasky
Mole Music – David McPhail
Nate the Great (series) – Marjorie Weinman

Level L - 24

Cam Jansen (series) – Davis A. Adler
Coming on Home Soon – Jacqueline Woodsen
Dear Mrs. La Rue: Letters from Obedience School – Mark Teague
George and Martha (series) James Marshall
Goliath at the Dog Show (series) – Terrance Dicks
Horrible Harry (series) – Suzy Kline
Is Your Mama a Llama – Steven Kellog

Level L – 24 Continued

Judy Moody (series) – Megan McDonald
Marvin Redpost (series) – Louis Sacher
Piggie Pie – Margie Palatini
Pinky and Rex (series) – James Howe
Song Lee in Room 2B – Suzy Kline
The Tale of Peter Rabbit – Beatrix Potter
Toot and Puddle (series) – Holly Hobbie
Tops and Bottoms – Janet Stevens

Level M - 28

Arthur (series) – Marc Brown
Bailey School Kids (series) Debbie Dodey
Edward and the Pirates – David McPhail
Flat Stanley (series) – Jeff Brown
Freckle Juice Judy Blume
Jake Drake (series) Andrew Clements
The Littles (series) - Peterson
Marvin Redpost (series) Louis Sacher
Magic Tree House (series) – Mary Pope Osborne
Polk Street School Kids (series) – Patricia Reilly Giff
Rainbow Fish – Marcus Pfister
Salt in His Shoes – Kadir Nelson
Strega Nona – Tomie dePaola

Level N - 30

Adam Joshua Capers (series) – Janice Lee Smith
Amber Brown (series) – Paula Danziger
A-Z Mysteries (series) – Ron Roy
Dragon Slayer Academy (series) – Kate McMullan
Herbie Jones (series) – Suzy Kline
Hey Al! – Arthur Yorinks
The Sunken Kingdom (series) – Kim Wilkens
Julian, Secret Agent (series) – Ann Cameron
Magic School Bus (series) – Kristen Earhart
Mike Mulligan and His Steam Shovel – Virginia Lee Burton
Secrets of Droon (series) – Tony Abbott
Shoeshine Girl – Clyde Robert Bulla
Sylvester and the Magic Pebble – William Steig

Level O - 34

Box Car Children (series) – Gertrude Chandler Warner
Cendrillon: A Caribbean Cinderella – Robert D. San Souci
Chocolate Fever – Robert Kimmel Smith
Class Clown – Johanna Herwitz
Flossie and the Fox – Patricia McKissack
Herbie Jones (series) – Suzy Kline
Make a Wish, Molly – Barbara Cohen
The Mouse and the Motorcycle – Beverly Cleary
Mr. Popper’s Penguins – Richard Atwater
Muggie Maggie – Beverly Cleary
Owl Moon – Jane Yolan
Ramona (series) – Beverly Cleary
Rats on the Range and Other Stories – James Marshall
Skinnybones – Barbara Park

Level P – 38

Christopher Mouse – William Wise
Encyclopedia Brown (series) – Donald J. Sabor
Falling Up – Melody Carlson
The Hundred Penny Box – Sharon Bell Mathis
Koya DeLaney and the Good Girl Blues – Eloise Greenfield
Justin and the Best Biscuits in the World – Mildred Pitts Walter
The Lucky Stone – Lucille Clifton
Riding Freedom – Ryan, Brian Seiznick
Sideways Stories from Wayside School – Louis Sachar
Stone Fox – John Reynolds Gardnier
Tar Beach – Faith Ringgold
Thank You Jackie Robinson – Barbara Cohen
Time Warp Trio (series) – John Scieszka

Level Q – 40

Addy Saves the Day (series) – Connie Rose Porter
Animal Ark (series) – Ben M. Baglio
Beetles Lightly Toasted – Phyllis Reynolds Naylor
The Boy on Fairfield Street – Kathleen Krull
Bunnicula – James Howe
Dragon Trouble (series) – Penelope Lively
Fantastic Mr. Fox – Ronald Dahl
Help! I’m Trapped... (series) – Eth Clifford
J.T. – Jane Wagner
James and the Giant Peach – Ronald Dahl

Level Q – 40 Continued

Spiderwick Chronicles (series) – Holly Black
There's a Boy in the Girls' Bathroom – Louis Sachar

Level R, S – 40

Abel's Island
Anne of Green Gables – L.M. Montgomery
Caddie Woodlawn – Carol Ryrie Brink
Castle in the Attic – Elizabeth Winthrop
Dominic – William Steig
Elevator Family – Douglas Evans
Frindle – Andrew Clements
The Great Gilly Hopkins -
Granny Torelli Makes Soup – Sharon Creech
Hatchet – Gary Paulsen
How to Eat Fried Worms – Thomas Rockwell
Nothing's Fair in Fifth Grade – Barthe DeClements
On My Honor -
Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes – Elenor Coerr
Sounder -
Stuart Little – E.B. White
The Trumpet of the Swan E.B. White
The Whipping Boy – Sid Fleischman

Level T – 44

Blubber – Judy Blume
Bridge to Terabithia – Katherine Patterson
Bud, Not Buddy Christopher Paul Curtis
Chronicles of Narnia (series) C.S. Lewis
Dear America (series) – Kristiana Gregory
Going Home – Eve Bunting
Handbook for Boys – Walter Dean Myers
Harriet the Spy – Louise Fitzhugh
Journey to Nowhere – Mary Jane Auch
The Kid Who Ran for President – Dan Gutman
Tale of Despereaux – Kate DiCamillo
The Toothpaste Millionaire – Jean Merrill

Level U, V – 50

Behind the Bedroom Wall – Laura Williams
The Biggest Klutz in Fifth Grade – Bill Wallace
Ella Enchanted – Gail Carson Levine
The Cay – Theodore Taylor
Eragon – Christopher Paolini
Harry Potter (series) – J.K. Rowling
Holes – Louis Sachar
Island of the Blue Dolphins – Scott O’Dell
Jip His Story – Katherine Patterson
Julie of the Wolves – Jean Craighead George
Maniac Magee – Jerry Spinelli
My Side of the Mountain – Jean Craighead George
The Music of the Dolphins – Karen Hesse
Old Yeller – Fred Gipson
P.S. Longer Letter Later - Danziger
Rascal – Sterling North
Series of Unfortunate Events (series) – Lemony Snicket
The Thief Lord – Cornelia Funke

Level W, X – 60

Dacey’s Song – Cynthia Voigt
Hoot – Carl Hiaasen
A Girl Named Disaster – Nancy Farmer
Let the Circle Be Unbroken – Mildred D. Taylor
M.C. Higgins the Great – Virginia Hamilton
The Midwife’s Apprentice – Karen Cushman
Out of the Dust – Karen Hesse
Sarah Bishop – Scott O’Dell
The Phantom Tollbooth – Norton Juster
The Witch of Blackbird Pond – Elizabeth George Speare
Where the Red Fern Grows – Wilson Rawls

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