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Dear Families:

Abington School District is pleased to suggest books your children might enjoy reading over the summer months, curated by our elementary school librarians. You may also enjoy other books by these recommended authors. For more suggestions about books and reading, consult your school and public librarians. Please also visit the [ASD Libraries website](#) for additional resources.

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FICTION

Bark vs. Snark, by Spencer Quinn - Queenie the cat and Arthur the dog, of Blackberry Hill Inn, have their lives and naptime by their newest adventure.

Confessions of an Imaginary Friend: A Memoir by Jacques Papier, by Michelle Cuevas - The story is told from the perspective of Jacques Papier, who is the imaginary friend/twin brother of a girl named Fleur. His life changes a great deal when he learns the truth about his existence.

The Dragon Thief, by Zetta Elliott - The sequel to *Dragons in a Bag*, where the story picks up with the main character searching the city for the missing dragon.

The Friendship War, by Andrew Clements - When Grace takes boxes of old buttons from a building her grandfather bought, she starts a trend at school that complicates her friendships..

Just Ask!, by Sonia Sotomayor - Using her own experience as a child who was diagnosed with diabetes, U.S. Supreme Court Justice Sonia Sotomayor writes about children with all sorts of challenges--and looks at the special powers they have as well.

Knights vs. The End (of Everything), by Matt Phelan - This latest book in the series has five daring heroes face their most difficult challenge yet.

Lucy and the Rocket Dog, by Will Buckingham - Will Buckingham Lucy is a brilliant scientist who has built her very own rocket! When her dog Laika sneaks aboard, the rocket accidentally launches. Will they ever be reunited?

The One and Only Bob by Katherine Applegate - Bob is back from *The One and Only Ivan*, as he tells an exciting tale, with the help of his friends Ivan and Ruby.

Stella Diaz Dreams Big, by Angela Dominguez - In the latest addition to the series, Stella's 4th grade life includes school, clubs, and swimming. How will she handle her busy school and activity schedule?

Wayside School Beneath the Cloud of Doom, by Louis Sachar - For the first time in twenty-five years, Wayside School is back in session in this brand-new, fourth installment in the perennially beloved and bestselling series by Newbery Medal-winning author Louis Sachar.

When You Trap A Tiger, by Tae Keller - When Lily and her family move in with her sick grandmother, a magical tiger straight out of her halmoni's Korean

folktales arrives, prompting Lily to unravel a secret family history.

Wishtree, by Katherine Applegate - Red, an old oak tree, has watched over her neighborhood for centuries. Can she and her crow friend, Bongo, find a way to help the community when an immigrant family is threatened?

SERIES

Buddy Files, by Dori Butler - Buddy the dog helps solve mysteries.

Clementine, by Sara Pennypacker - Follow third-grader Clementine's many escapades at school and at home.

Eerie Elementary by Jack Chabert - Eerie Elementary School is Alive! Enjoy this spooky series and find out all the crazy adventures the students go through.

Desmond Cole Ghost Patrol, by Andres Miedoso - Desmond Cole and his best friend Andres run a ghost-hunting service.

I Survived, by Lauren Tarshis - Each book in this series tells a terrifying and thrilling story from history through the eyes of a kid who lived to tell the tale.

Jasmine Toguchi, by Debbi Michiko Florence - Follow Jasmine as she sets out to make mochi, solve mysteries, and more!

Mac B., Kid Spy, by Mac Barnett - Life is pretty ordinary for Mac. B, until the day he gets a call from the Queen of England and starts his career as a spy!

Marty McGuire, by Kate Messner - Marty loves animals, the outdoors, and being herself. Join her adventures on stage, at school, and outside!

Platypus Police Squad, by Jarrett J. Krosoczka - Platypus detectives Zengo and O'Malley work together to solve various crimes in Kalamazoo City.

The Questioners, by Andrea Beaty - Join Rosie Revere, Ada Twist, Iggy Peck, and Sofia Valdez as they work to help others, solve mysteries, and learn about science and engineering.

Ranger in Time, by Kate Messner - Ranger, a golden retriever, unearths a mysterious box and finds himself transported back in time.

Sarai, by Sarai Gonzalez and Monica Brown - Fourth grader Sarai Gonzalez can do anything! Follow her as

she navigates life with her friends and family.

Shelter Pet Squad, by Cynthia Lord - The Shelter Pet Squad kids find the perfect homes for animals in need.

Unicorn Rescue Society, by Adam Gidwitz (and various authors) - Join Elliot and Uchenna as they work with Professor Fauna to protect the world's mythical creatures.

Zayd Saleem, Chasing the Dream, by Hena Khan - Join fourth-grader Zayd on and off the basketball court.

GRAPHIC NOVELS

Babysitters Club Graphix - Kristy, Mary Anne, Claudia, and Stacey are best friends and founding members of The Baby-sitters Club. Whatever comes up -- cranky toddlers, huge dogs, scary neighbors, prank calls -- you can count on them to save the day.

Bad Guys, by Aaron Blabey - Generally known as bad guys, Mr. Wolf, Mr. Shark, Mr. Snake, and Mr. Piranha decide they want to become heroes.

Comics Squad!, by Various Authors - Each book in this series features a collection of side-splitting original stories from your favorite graphic novel authors and illustrators.

Dog Man, by Dave Pilkey - Series began in 2016 with the newest release in 2021; Focuses on the adventures of a part-dog/part-man police officer and his superhero journeys.

Hilo, by Judd Winick - A mysterious boy named Hilo falls to the Earth with no memory of who he is or where he came from. Can Gina and DJ help him remember his past—and save the world?

Lucy & Andy Neanderthal, by Jeffrey Brown - A funny (and informative!) graphic novel series about two cave kids growing up in the Ice Age.

Lunch Lady, by Jarrett J. Krosoczka - Three kids discover that their school lunch lady is a secret crime-fighter and superhero!

Science Comics, by Various Authors - A graphic nonfiction series exploring various science topics.

Star Wars Jedi Academy, by Various Authors - Star Wars fans will love the adventures of a new generation of young Jedis-in-training!

Stargazing, by Jen Wang - Moon and Christine have nothing in common but the Chinese-American suburb

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in which they both live. Can they find a way to be friends despite their differences?

Super Detectives (Simone and Chester Book 1) - by Cale Atkinson - A ghost and a kid team up to solve mysteries.

NONFICTION & POETRY

The Brilliant Deep: Rebuilding the World's Coral Reefs, by Kate Messner - A nonfiction picture book that examines the ongoing efforts to save and rebuild the world's coral reefs.

Chef Roi Choi and the Street Food Remix, by Jacqueline Briggs Martin & June Jo Lee - Learn about the life of chef Roi Choi. Also look for *Farmer Will Allen and the Growing Table*.

The Crayon Man: The True Story of the Invention of Crayola Crayons, by Natascha Biebow - Tells the story of the invention of the Crayola crayon by inventor Edwin Binney.

Firefly July, edited by Paul B. Janeczko - A collection of very short poems to celebrate the seasons.

First Garden: The White House Garden and How it Grew, by Robbin Gourley - Learn more about the White House Kitchen Garden, including how it was created, what is grown there, and how it is cared for.

Grumbles from the Forest: Fairy-Tale Voices with a Twist, by Jane Yolen and Rebecca Kai Dotlich - Fairy tale characters express their opinions in poems.

How Would You Survive as a Lion? by David Stewart - A quirky, humorous book about the key aspects of a lion's life. (Also look for other *How Would You Survive* titles in the series.)

If Animals Disappeared, by Lily Williams - What would happen to our world if sharks, elephants, or polar bears became extinct? Find out in this nonfiction series about animal conservation.

Joan Procter, Dragon Doctor: The Woman Who Loved Reptiles, by Patricia Valdez - A picture book biography of Joan Procter, who worked with Komodo dragons at the London Zoo in the 1920s.

No More Poems! A Book of Verse That Just Gets Worse, by Rhett Miller - A collection of entertaining poems about family and being a kid.

Rags: The Hero Dog of WWI, by Margot Theis Raven - The true story of a stray dog named Rags who befriended a U.S. soldier in Paris, France during WWI.

The World of Weird Animals, by Jess Keating - A series introducing readers to the strangest animals on the planet.

MORE SUGGESTED AUTHORS

Katherine Applegate
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Monica Brown
Beverly Cleary
Andrew Clements
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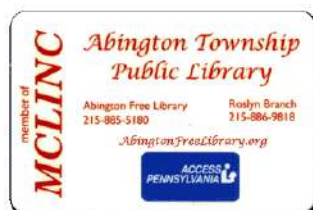
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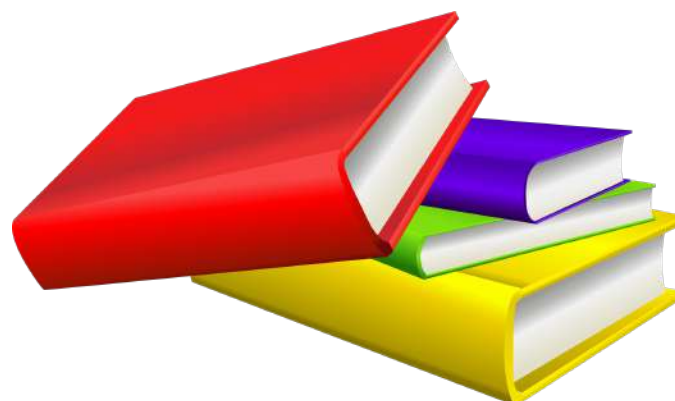
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