



Summer Reading Recommendations OES Lower School Library Summer 2009

Research has repeatedly shown that kids who read over the summer retain their reading skill level. And, of course, reading is an incredibly pleasurable way to pass the time on a lazy summer day whether at home, on the beach or in a park. Here are suggestions for what you might like to bring with you on your summer adventures. For emerging readers, a few of the titles will be best read aloud by an adult or older child. All titles are available in the LS Library and should be available at your local public library.

Beginning School Picks:

You Read to Me, I'll Read to You (choose from several versions-fairy-tales, scary-tales, Mother Goose) by Mary Ann Hoberman

Elephant & Piggie series by Mo Willems (author of the great Pigeon books)

Bread and Jam for Frances or another Frances book by Russell Hoban

Any title by Leo Lionni

Louise, the Adventures of a Chicken by Kate DiCamillo

The Adventures of Max and Pinky: Best Buds by Maxwell Eaton

Help by Holly Keller

Mama Provi and the Pot of Rice by Sylvia Rosa-Casanova

Blueberries for Sal by Robert McCloskey

1st Grade Picks

Poppleton series by Cynthia Rylant

Nate the Great series by Marjorie Weinman Sharmat

The Quigley's by Simon Mason

Henry and Mudge by Cynthia Rylant

Say What? By Margaret Peterson Haddix

Birthday Pony by Jesse Haas

Flat Stanley or another Flat Stanley book by Jeff Brown

Any Mercy Watson book by Kate DiCamillo

2nd/3rd Grade Picks

Lady Lollipop or another title by Dick King-Smith
Harriet the Spy By Louise Fitzhugh
Alvin Ho by Lenore Look
Chet Gecko series by Bruce Hale
Smarter Than Squirrels by Lucy Nolan
Toys Go Out by Emily Jenkins
Bear Named Trouble by Marion Dane Bauer
Weird Stories From the Lonesome Café by Judy Cox
Please Write In This Book by Mary Amato
The World According to Humphrey by Betty G. Birney

4th/5th Grade Picks

My Teacher is an Alien or another title by Bruce Coville
Alex Rider series by Anthony Horowitz
Heat by Mike Lupica
Candyfloss by Jacqueline Woodson
Trollbridge by Jane Yolen
Fablehaven series by Brandon Mull
Alcatraz Versus the Evil Librarians by Brandon Sanderson
Jeremy Fink and the Meaning of Life by Wendy Mass
Found: The Missing, Book 1 by Margaret Peterson Haddix
The Cat Royal Adventure series by Julia Golding
Hard Gold: The Colorado Gold Rush of 1859 by Avi