# **SUGGESTED READING LIST**

This list has been compiled from several sources including the American Library Association, the International Reading Association, and state reading lists, when available. The books on this list are not required reading nor is this intended to be an all-inclusive list. As always, parents and teachers are encouraged to review the selections to ensure the appropriateness for individual students.

## **Fiction**

**Because of Winn Dixie** | *Kate DiCamillo* **Frindle** | *Andrew Clements* A Week in the Woods | Andrew Clements A Dog Called Kitty | Bill Wallace **Big Red** | *Jim Kjelgaard* Ramona (series) | Beverly Cleary Judy Moody (series) | Megan McDonald Maniac Magee | Jerry Spinelli **Everywhere** | Bruce Brooks Fly Away Home | Eve Bunting **Keeper of the Doves** | *Betsy Byars* Wait Till Helen Comes: A Ghost Story | Mary Downing Hahn **The Foxman** | Gary Paulsen The Stories Huey Tells and The Stories Julian Tells (series) | Ann Cameron **The Flunking of Joshua T. Bates** | Susan Shreve Freckle Juice | Judy Blume **Tales of a 4th Grade Nothing** | Judy Blume **Stone Fox** | *John Reynolds Gardiner* **The Great Gilly Hopkins** | *Katherine Paterson* **Misty of Chincoteague** | *Marguerite Henry* **The Secret Garden** | Frances Hodgson Burnett **Goosebumps (series)** | R.L. Stine In The Year of the Boar and Jackie Robinson | Bette Boa Lord



#### Fiction Continued ...

**The Silver Coach** | Carole Adler

The Children of Green Knowe (series) | Lucy Boston

**Old Yeller** | Fred Gipson

**The Higher Power of Lucky** | Susan Patron

Joey Pigza Loses Control | Jack Gantos

Nancy Drew (series) | Carolyn G. Keene

**Chocolate Fever** | Robert Kimmel Smith

**Charlie and the Chocolate Factory** | Roald Dahl

Rules | Cynthia Lord

**The Sign of the Beaver** | *Elizabeth George Speare* 

**View from the Cherry Tree** | *Willo Davis Robert* 

The Best School Year Eve | Barbara Robinson

**Project Mulberry** | *Linda Sue Park* 

**Charlotte's Web** | *E.B. White* 

Piper Reed, Navy Brat (series) | Kimberly Willis Holt

**Swindle** | *Gordon Korman* 

Asha and the Spirit Bird | Jasbinder Bilan

Jada Jones Series | Kelly Starling Lyons

# Fantasy and Folklore

**Space Race** | *Sylvia Waugh* 

The Chameleon Wore Chartreuse | Bruce Hale

The Case of the Raging Rottweiler | John R.

Erickson The Great Good Thing | Roderick Townley

The Doll People | Ann M. Martin

I, Houdini | Lynne Reid Banks

Poppy | Avi

**Mean Margaret** | Tor Seidler

**The Moorchild** | *Eloise McGraw* 

**The Secret of Platform 13** | Eva Ibbotson

Abel's Island | William Steig

James and the Giant Peach | Roald Dahl

The BFG | Roald Dahl

**The Wind in the Willows** | *Kenneth Grahame* 

The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe | C.S. Lewis



## Fantasy and Folklore Continued ...

**Charlotte's Web** | *E.B. White* 

Castle in the Attic | Elizabeth Winthrop

**Magic Tree House (series)** | *Mary Pope Osborne* 

**Going Through The Gate** | Janet S. Anderson

The Sea Egg | L.M. Boston

The Talking Parcel | Gerald Durrell

Mick Harte Was Here | Barbara Park

**Cricket in Times Square** | George Selden

The Wizard of Oz | Frank L. Baum

**Whittington** | *Alan Armstrong* 

**Under the Bridge** | *Ellen Kindt McKenzie* 

**Just So Stories** | Rudyard Kipling

The Fiddler of the Northern Lights | Leslie Bowman

## **Historical Fiction**

**Linnea in Monet's Garden** | *Cristina Bjork* 

Meet Kit: An American Girl - 1934 | Valerie Tripp

**Love From Your Friend, Hannah** | *Mindy Warshaw Skolsky* 

Sarah, Plain and Tall | Patricia MacLachlan

A Sky Full of Song | Susan Lynn Meyer

The Night Diary | Veera Hiranandani

**Understood Betsy** | *Dorothy Canfield Fisher* 

**King of the Wind: The Story of the Godolphin Arabian** | *Marguerite Henry* 

The Birchbark House | Louise Erdrich

The Night Journey | Kathryn Lasky

**Grasshopper Summer** | *Ann Turner* 

The Midwife's Apprentice | Karen Cushman

**The Borning Room** | *Paul Fleischman* 

**Jacob, Have I Loved** | *Katherine Patterson* 

**Boxcar Children** | *Gertrude Chandler Warner* 

Pink and Say | Patricia Polacco

The Perilous Road | William Steele

**Boston Jane: An Adventure** | *Jennifer L. Holm* 

Our Only May Amelia | Jennifer L. Holm



#### Historical Fiction Continued ...

Follow the Drinking Gourd | Jeanette Winter
Hattie Big Sky | Kirby Larson
Show Way | Jacqueline Woodson
Keep the Lights Burning, Abby | Peter and Connie Roop
When Stravinsky Met Nijinsky | Lauren Stringer
Beethoven Lives Upstairs | Barbara Nichol

## Science Fiction

I'm Out Of My Body - Leave Me A Message | Dan Greenburg **Heartlight** | *T.A. Baron* **Space Garbage** | *Isaac Asimov* **The Dog That Pitched A No Hitter** | *Matt Christopher* The Last Mapmaker | Christina Soontornvat **The Package in Hyperspace** | Janet Asimov and John Gampert **The Computer Nut** | Betsy Byars **Frankenbug** | *Steven Cousins* The Classroom at the End of the Hall | Douglas Evans My Life Among Aliens | Gail Gauthier **Nose Pickers from Outer Space** | *Gordan Korman* The Time Warp Trio | Jon Scieszka **Carrot Holes and Frisbee Trees** | *N. Bodecker* **Shadows in the Water** | *Kathryn Lasky* The Sword of Aradel | Alexander Key The Moorchild | Eloise McGraw **Bunnicula: A Rabbit Tale of Mystery** | *Deborah and James Howe* 

## Poetry

Where The Sidewalk Ends | Shel Silverstein

Bird Watch: A Book of Poetry | Jane Yolen

From Sea To Shining Sea | Amy T. Cohn

Snow Towards Evening: A Year in a River Valley | Josette Frank

Hand in Hand: An American History Through Poetry | Lee Bennett Hopkins

Bringing Me News | Mary O'Neill



### Poetry Continued ...

The New Kid On The Block | Jack Prelutsky
Something Big Has Been Here | Jack Prelutsky
Pierre | Maurice Sendak
Heartsongs (series) | Mattie J.T. Stepanek
Spin a Soft Black Song | Nikki Giovanni

## Nonfiction

The Kid Who Invented the Popsicle | Dan Wulffson

Lives of Musicians: Good Times, Bad Times (And What The Neighbors Thought)

|Kathleen Krull

A River Run Wild | Lynne Cherry

**Look To The North: A Wolf Pup Diary** | *Jean Craighead George* 

Schomburg: The Man Who Built a Library | Carole Boston Weatherford

Pink and Say | Patricia Polacco

Dateline: Troy | Paul Fleischman

Will You Sign Here, John Hancock? | Jean Fritz Six Minute Nature Mysteries | Faith Brynie

The Truth About Great White Sharks | Mary M. Cerullo

**Through My Eyes** | Ruby Bridges

The Story of Baseball | Lawrence Ritter

**Girls Think of Everything** | *Catherine Thimmeah* 

Mae Jemison | Mary Nhin

**Just Peace: A Message of Hope** | *Mattie J.T. Stepanek with Jimmy Carter*