

Dear Parents and/or Guardians:

It is never too early to start thinking about summer vacation, summer activities that keep all students, regardless of their age involved in the reading process. While school is over, it is still important that all students continue to engage in improving their academic abilities, regardless of whether school is in session or not. Please review the Oak Park School District suggested summer reading list and get a “head start” on purchasing these suggested books or make plan trips to your local library to check them out.

Additionally, summer packets will be sent home, near the end of the school year, with assignments, projects, activities that will better prepare your child for the upcoming school year. Make sure you look out for them.

Children and Their Education First,

Dr. Joann Wright, Principal

**OAK PARK SCHOOL DISTRICT
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SUGGESTED SUMMER READING LIST – K to 6th**

Kindergarten:

Poppelton (series), Cynthia Rylat
Frog and Toad (series), Arnold Lobel
My Garden, Kevin Henkes
Amelia Bedelia (series), Peggy Parish
Arthur Goes to Camp, Marc Brown
Diary of a Fly, Doreen Crontin and Harry Bliss
Comets, Stars, the Moon and Mars, Douglas Florian
Lost and Found: 3 Dog Stories, Jim LaMarche
You Read to Me, I'll Read to You: Very Short Fairy Tales to Read Together, Mary Ann Hoberman
Do Unto Otters: A Book About Manners, Laurie Keller

First Grade:

Anno's Counting Book, Mitsumasa Anno
How Much is a Million, Steven Kellogg
Ten Black Dots, Donald Crews
Miss Rumphuis, Barbara Cooney
The King's Commissioners, Aileen Friedman
We Read: A to Z, Donald Crews
The Z Was Zapped, Chris Van Allsburg
The Polar Express, Chris Van Allsburg
Chicka, Chicka, Boom Boom, Bill Martin
Happy Birthday Moon, Frank Asch

Second Grade:

Junie B. Jones Series, Barbara Park
Flat Stanley Series, Jeff Brown
Cam Jansen Series, David Adler
Henry and Mudge Series, Cynthia Rylant
A-Z Mysteries, Ron Roy
Ready Freddy Series, Abby Klein
Amelia Bedelia, Peggy Parrish
Black Lagoon Adventures, Mike Thaler
Polar Bear, Polar Bear What Do You Hear, Bill Martin
The Polar Express, Chris Van Allsburg

Third Grade:

Cam Jansen Series
Junie B. Jones Series
The Geronimo Stilton Series
Beezus and Ramona
Boxcar Series
Magic Tree House Series
Amber Brown Series
Judy Moody Series

Fourth Grade:

The Mouse and the Motorcycle, Cleary
Bud, Not Buddy, Curtis
The Lemonade War, Davies
The Tigers Rising, DiCamillo
The Problems with the Puddles, Feiffer
Stone Fox, Gardiner
Amazing Faces, Hopkins
Runaway Twin, Kehret
Holes, Sacher
Storm Runners, Smith

Fifth Grade:

No Talking, Andrew Clements
Because of Winn Dixie, Kate DiCamillo
The Fighting Ground, Avi
Crash, Jerry Spinelli
Frindle, Andrew Clements
The Boys Start the War, Phyllis Reynolds Naylor
Matilda, Roald Dahl
If You Lived At the Time of the American Revolution, Kay Moore

Sixth Grade:

The Giver, Lois Lowry

Phantom Tollbooth, Norton Juster

Wrinkle in Time, Madeleine L'Engle

The Cay, Theodore Taylor

Roll of Thunder, Hear my Cry, Mildred Taylor

The Westing Game, Ellen Raskin

Gary Paulson books sequels with Hatchet

Hunger Games, Suzanne Collins

Shadow Children Books, Margaret Peterson Haddox

The Call of the Wild, Jack London