

Summer Reading for Third Grade

Research shows that reading over the summer helps to reduce the summer slide. Please take your child to the local library and bookstores to continue building your child's reading habits. Each incoming third grader is required to read at least 2 books over the summer, one from each category (Fiction/Non Fiction). Please print out one form for each book read. **These should be brought back in August and given to their new teacher.**

OF COURSE WE HOPE YOUR CHILD WILL ENJOY MANY MORE BOOKS THAN THOSE REQUIRED!

Fiction:

American Girl (series)
Dear America (series)
The Bailey School Kids (series) by Debbie Dadey and Marcia Thornton Jones
Boxcar Children (series) by Gertrude Warner
Catwings (series) by Ursula LeGuin
The Kids on Polk Street (series) by Patricia Reilly Giff
Little House books (series) by Laura Ingalls Wilder
Love, from Your Friend Hannah by Mindy Warshaw Skolsky
The Magic Tree House (series)
Pee Wee Scouts (series) by Judy Delton
Key to the Treasure by Peggy Parish
The Cobble Street Cousins (series) by Cynthia Rylant
Jenny Archer (series) by Ellen Conford
Annabel the Actress (series) by Ellen Conford
Cam Jansen (series) by David A. Adler
Pony Pals (series) by Jeanne Betancourt
A to Z Mysteries (series) by Ron Roy
Series of Unfortunate Events (series) by Lemony Snicket
Nate the Great (series) by Marjorie Sharmat
Girls to the Rescue (series) by Bruce Lansky
Ivy & Bean (series) by Annie Barrows

Additional Authors:

Judy Blume
Roald Dahl Elizabeth Enright Ruth Stiles Gannett Marguerite Henry Anne Lindbergh
Astrid Lindgren Lois Lenski
Peggy Parish Patricia Polacco Barbara Robinson

NONFICTION:

Some of the third grade curricular themes will include geography, map making, Native American studies, human rights, butterflies, water, electricity, and whales. The following titles and authors are only suggestions. Please encourage your child to read any book about any theme that piques his/her interest.

Eyewitness Books

Eyewitness Junior

Magic School Bus

My First Book of Biographies by Jean Marzollo Rookie Biographies by Carol Greene

Usbourne Books

Scholastic Zoobooks magazine

Kids Discover magazine

Sports Illustrated for Kids magazine National Geographic for Kids magazine

American Girl magazine

Women of Our Time (series) authors vary

Third Grade Summer Reading: Written Assignment

Student Name:

Book Title:

Author:

Date Completed (remember to read one book in June and one in July):

1. Who is the main character of your book? Which two adjectives (describing words) would you use to describe this character, and why would you choose each word?

- Adjective 1:

Reason you chose it:

- Adjective 2:

Reason you chose it:

2. What is the main conflict or problem in your book?
Is the conflict solved? If yes, how?

3. How does the main character change throughout the course of the book?

4. Did you enjoy the ending of this book? If yes, why? If no, how would you have chosen to end it?

5. To whom would you recommend this book, and why? (Example: I would recommend this book to people who like mystery. Every chapter had more clues and I enjoyed figuring out what had happened. I also liked that each chapter ended with a cliffhanger).