

Grade Three
Summer Reading

Required Reading List

All students must read:

Owls in the Family by Farley Mowat

A young boy decides to raise two owlets as pets. Wol and Weeps provide fun and excitement for the boy in Saskatoon.

In addition, each student must select THREE choices from the following selections:

Addy Learns a Lesson by Connie Rose Porter (AR 3.9)

After escaping from a plantation in North Carolina, Addy and her mother arrive in Philadelphia, where Addy goes to school and learns a lesson in true friendship

Baseball Pals by Matt Christopher ((AR 3.0)

Voted captain, Jimmie declares himself pitcher. But Paul is a better pitcher. After Paul leaves to pitch for another team, Jimmie's team starts losing.

Bicycle Mystery by Gertrude Chandler Warner (AR 3.2)

The four Aldens take shelter in an old abandoned house during a rainstorm while on a bicycle trip to their Aunt Jane's house when a lost dog finds them.

The Candy Corn Contest by Patricia Reilly Giff (AR 2.5)

Richard Best wants to win the candy corn contest. He can almost taste the candy and before he knows it, he has. What will happen when Ms. Rooney finds out?

Junie B. Jones and the Yucky Blucky Fruitcake by Barbara Park (AR 2.7)

Junie, a spunky, sometimes exasperating, kindergartener, looks forward to winning lots of prizes at the school carnival, but a fruitcake was not exactly what she had in mind.

Mike's Mystery by Gertrude Chandler Warner (AR 3.0)

Henry, Jessie, Benny, and Violet Alden meet Mike Wood and a strange chain of events begins. Mike's house is mysteriously burned down, a man in a blue hat appears, and the Aldens' uranium mine is in danger of being sabotaged.

The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane by Kate DiCamillo (AR 4.4)

Edward Tulane, a cold-hearted and proud toy rabbit, loves only himself until he is separated from the little girl who adores him and travels across the country, acquiring new owners and listening to their hopes, dreams, and histories.

Nate the Great and the Lost List by Marjorie W. Sharmat (AR 2.6)

Nate the Great interrupts his backyard vacation to find his friend's lost grocery list--before lunch.

The Secret of Foghorn Island by Geoffrey Hays (AR 2.8)

Otto and Uncle Tooth, detectives, investigate a series of shipwrecks, which brings them in touch with the dangerous Sid Rat.

Tigers at Twilight by Mary Pope Osborne (AR 3.0)

Having used their magic tree house to travel to India, where they must get a gift to help free the dog Teddy from a spell, Jack and Annie have adventures involving a tiger and other endangered jungle animals.

Touchdown for Tommy by Matt Christopher (AR 3.3)

A young boy worries about making the football team and convincing his foster parents to adopt him.

Whales: The Gentle Giants by Joyce Milton (AR 2.8)

Describes how whales live and some different types of whales.

Other books you might enjoy:

And Then What Happened, Paul Revere? By Jean Fritz

Describes some of the well-known as well as the lesser-known details of Paul Revere's life and exciting ride.

Behind the Attic Wall by Sylvia Cassedy

In the bleak, forbidding house of her great-aunts, neglected twelve-year-old orphan Maggie hears ghostly voices and finds magic that awakens in her the capacity to love and be loved.

The Book of Story Beginnings by Kristen Kladstrup

After moving with her parents to Iowa, twelve-year-old Lucy discovers a mysterious notebook that can bring stories to life and which has a link to the 1914 disappearance of her great uncle.

Dragon Trilogy: *Fire Within / Icefire / Fire Star* by Chris D'Lacey

Are David and his friends strong enough to face the dragons, the powerful polar bear, Ignavar, and the evil sibyl, Gwilanna?

Emily Windsnap by Liz Kessler

A captivating fantasy about a beautiful island and feisty Emily Windsnap--half mermaid, half human. These stories feature engaging characters and plenty of mermaid magic. If you enjoyed Emily's adventures, look for the sequels: *Emily Windsnap and the Monster for the Deep* and *Emily Windsnap and the Castle in the Mist*.

Henry and Ribsy by Beverly Cleary *** any title by this author would be fabulous***

Henry Huggins's father has promised to take Henry fishing on the condition that he keep his dog Ribsy out of trouble; however, that is easier said than done.

James and the Giant Peach by Roald Dahl *** any title by this author would be fabulous***

A young boy escapes from two wicked aunts and embarks on a series of adventures with six giant insects he meets inside a giant peach.

The Last of the Really Great Whangdoodles by Julie Andrews Edwards

With help from an eccentric professor in giving their imaginations special intensive training, three children succeed in locating the last of the great Whangdoodles and granting his heart's desire.

Paddle-to-the-Sea by Holling C. Holling

A toy Indian in a toy canoe takes a journey of several hundred miles through the Great Lakes, the St. Lawrence River, and Niagara Falls before it reaches the Atlantic Ocean.

Sideways Stories From Wayside School by Louis Sachar

Presents humorous episodes from the classroom on the thirtieth floor of Wayside School, which was accidentally built sideways with one classroom on each story.