2012 Summer Reading Titles

Entering First Grade – Required Titles:

- **Chrysanthemum** by Kevin Henkes – Chrysanthemum loves her name until she starts going to school and the other children make fun of it.

- **Tacky the Penguin** by Helen Lester – Tacky the penguin does not fit in with his sleek and graceful companions, but his odd behavior comes in handy when hunters come with maps and traps.

Entering Second Grade - Required Titles:

- **Beatrice’s Goat** by Page McBrier – A young girl’s dream of attending school in her small Ugandan village is fulfilled after her family is given an income-producing goat.

- **Roxaboxen** by Alice McLerran - A hill covered with rocks and wooden boxes becomes an imaginary town for Marian, her sisters and their friends.

Some suggested titles for additional reading are listed below, but you may discover more on your own. Books read aloud count as books read.

(* = any title by this author  += extra challenging)

Aardema*  Who’s In Rabbit’s House?
Adler  Picture Book Biographies: A Picture Book of Thomas Alva Edison
Adler  Bones and the Dog Gone Mystery
Aesop  The Classic Treasury of Aesop’s Fables
Amery  Greek Myths for Young Children
Arnold  Hi! Fly Guy Series
Barton  The Day-Glo Brothers
Benchley  Small Wolf
Black, S.  Plenty of Penguins
Branley  What Happened to the Dinosaurs?
Brown, M.  Stone Soup
Brown, M.  I Like Stars
Buckley  Space Heroes; Amazing Astronauts
Burningham  It’s a Secret!
Byars  The Golly Sisters go West
Cannon  Stellaluna
Capucilli  Biscuit Series
Carrick  Patrick’s Dinosaurs
Cleary  Ramona Forever
Cole  The Magic School Bus Series
Coxe  Hot Dog
Craft  Cinderella
Craft  King Midas and the Golden Touch
Dadey  Bailey School Kids Series
Dahl  The Twits
DePaola*  Strega Nona; her story
DiCamillo  Mercy Watson Series
Eastman  Are You My Mother?
Falcomer  Olivia
Feiffer  Bark, George
Gannett  My Father’s Dragon
Grey  Traction Man Meets Turbo Dog
Hays, A.  The Pup Speaks Up
Herman  Pal the Pony
Hoberman  You Read to Me, I’ll Read to You: Very Short Fairy Tales to Read Together
Hoff    Sammy and the Seal
Hooks   Pioneer Cat
Howe    Pinky and Rex Series
Kajikawa Tsunami!
Keats*  John Henry
Kellogg* Prehistoric Pinkerton
Kline*  The Horrible Harry Series
Kramer  Ocean Hide and Seek
Krensky* Lionel at School
Lobel   Frog and Toad Series
Lowry   Gooney Bird Greene
Maccarone My Tooth is About to Fall Out and Soccer Game!
Marshall, E. Fox at School
Marshall, J. George and Martha Series
McKissack Flossie and the Fox
McMullan Fluffy Goes to School
Meddaugh Martha Series
Miles   Pugsley
Mora    Uno, Dos, Tres
Mosel   The Funny Little Woman
Numeroff* If You Give a Dog a Donut
Osborne The Magic Tree House Series
Parish  Dinosaur Time
Payne   Katy No-Pocket
Pinkney The Lion and the Mouse
Pittman A Grain of Rice
Polacco The Bee Tree
Prelutsky The Dragons are Singing Tonight
Provensen A Day in the Life of Murphy
Rockwell How to Eat Fried Worms
Roy*    The A-Z Mysteries
Royston Truck Trouble
Rylant  Mr. Putter and Tabby Series, Henry & Mudge Series, Poppleton Series
Salley  Epossumondas
Scieszka Time Warp Trio Series
Seuss   One Fish, Two Fish and Horton Hatches the Egg
Sharmat* Nate the Great Series
Shulevitz How I Learned Geography
Silverstein Everything On It
Smith   Grandpa Green
Steig*  Sylvester and the Magic Pebble
Thomas Get Well, Good Knight
Thompson Eloise Breaks Some Eggs
Tompert Grandfather Tang’s Story.
Tripp*  Hopscotch Hill School Series and American Girl Collection Series
Waber   Ira Sleeps Over
Waddell Owl Babies
Wallace Tale of a Tadpole
Weinberg What is a Princess?
White   Stuart Little
Willems The Pigeon Finds a Hotdot
Yolen   Here’s aLittle Poem
Zelinsky Rumpelstiltskin!

Let’s-Read-and-Find-Out Series: Honey in a Hive, Sleep is for Everyone, Archaeologists Dig for Clues, Earthquakes
The love of reading is the best gift a parent can give a child. Enjoy your summer, enjoy these books, and enjoy reading together. Please plan to complete and turn in this reading record to your homeroom teacher on the first day of school.

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