

Third Grade Summer Reading

REQUIRED READING

All third graders must read **ONE** of the following books or a “window” book of their choice.

NOTE: These books are all the first in a series. You may read any book in the series.

A Boy Called Bat by Elana K. Arnold

Bat, a boy who is autistic, needs to convince his Mom that a skunk will make a good pet.

Stella Diaz Has Something to Say by Angela Dominguez

Stella is in a new class without her best friend, Jenny. She wants to be friends with a new boy in the class, but Stella is embarrassed when she mixes up English and Spanish words.

The Misadventures of the Family Fletcher by Dana A. Levy

The funny, crazy daily life of a family of four adopted boys and two dads.

Alvin Ho: Allergic to Girls, School and Other Scary Things by Lenore Look

Alvin is afraid of everything. He never says a word at school. But at home, Alvin is a loud superhero named Firecracker Man.

Juana and Lucas by Juana Medina

Juana, who lives in Bogota, Colombia, loves drawing, brussel sprouts, and her dog, Lucas. She does not love learning English.

OTHER READING SUGGESTIONS (not required reading)

The Best of Iggy. Annie Barrows

Iggy Frangi is not a bad kid. He's done a few (anything up to 100) bad things that he's not very sorry about. No one got hurt--except for that one time. What did Iggy do??

Kodi. Jared Cullum

Katya finds Kodi, a huge kodiak bear, injured near her grandma's Alaskan cabin and nurses him to health. When Katya returns to Seattle, Kodi makes an epic journey to find his best friend.

Lucky Me, Lucy McGee. Mary Amato

Fourth grader Lucy McGee's ukulele is missing--and if she doesn't find it soon, she'll be kicked out of the Songwriting Club! She finds some creative ways to locate her uke. This one is for musicians.

Once Upon a Space-time! Jeffrey Brown (graphic novel)

Jide and Petra are just two normal kids until they are selected to leave Earth and join their new alien classmates on an intergalactic research mission to Mars.

***A Squirrelly Situation: Calpurnia Tate, Girl Vet..* Jacqueline Kelly**

When Travis finds an abandoned baby squirrel, he brings him home and names him Fluffy. His mother isn't so sure that Fluffy is such a great family pet—and neither is Thud, the cat.

***Ways to Make “Sunshine”.* Renée Watson**

Ryan is a girl who knows how to make sunshine out of problems. As her brother says when he raps about her, she's got the talent that matters most: it's a talent that can't be seen, she's nice, not mean!

***The Madre de Aguas of Cuba: Unicorn Rescue Society.* Adam Gidwitz**

In Cuba, it's believed that a mysterious water serpent--the Madre de aguas--provides and protects fresh water on the island. The serpent is missing, and there is a drought on the island. The Unicorn Rescue Society plan to rescue the Madre de aguas. But will the creature they are trying to save eat them instead?

***Wondrous Rex.* Patricia MacLachlan**

When Lily posts an ad for an assistant to help with her writing, Rex, a Labrador Retriever shows up at the door. The word “amazing” is an everyday word for Rex, who inspires Lily and her Aunt Grace.

SERIES YOU MIGHT LIKE

<i>Applegate, Katherine</i>	<i>Roscoe Riley</i>
<i>Birney, Betty G.</i>	<i>Humphrey</i>
<i>Brown, Peter</i>	<i>The Wild Robot</i>
<i>Davies, Jacqueline</i>	<i>Lemonade War</i>
<i>Draper, Sharon</i>	<i>Clubhouse Mysteries</i>
<i>Grimes, Nikki</i>	<i>Dyamonde Daniel</i>
<i>Hanlon, Abby</i>	<i>Dory Fantasmagory</i>
<i>Krosoczka, Jarrett</i>	<i>Platypus Police Squad</i>
<i>Maddox, Jake</i>	<i>Jake Maddox Sports Stories</i>
<i>Martin, Ann M.</i>	<i>The Doll People</i>
<i>Nolan, Lucy</i>	<i>Down Girl and Sit</i>
<i>Pennypacker, Sara</i>	<i>Clementine</i>
<i>Potter, Ellen</i>	<i>Big Foot and Little Foot</i>
<i>Sachar, Louis</i>	<i>Wayside School</i>
<i>Selfors, Suzanne</i>	<i>The Imaginary Veterinary</i>
<i>Stadler, Alexander</i>	<i>Julian Rodriguez</i>
<i>Winick, Judd</i>	<i>HiLo</i>