

4th Grade Summer Reading List

Aligned to Wit & Wisdom

Dear Families of Rising 4th Graders,

We are so excited to welcome you into 4th grade! To help your child do their best and prepare for the 5th grade, we ask that you spend some time this summer reading as many of the selected texts below. All of these texts are aligned to our ELA curriculum, which will help prepare your child for all of the 4th grade units in the curriculum. Please do not worry too much about each text's level, and allow your child to read the books that most interest them.

On the last page, you will find a summer reading tracker. Encourage your child to read new books by keeping track of books they read this summer. Please have your child bring back their tracker to discuss with classmates on the first day of school!

A GREAT HEART

- Clara Barton: Angel of the Battlefield by Time for Kids
- Clara and Davie by Patricia Polacco
- Who Was Clara Barton by Stephanie Spinner
- The Circulatory System by Christine Taylor-Butler
- Locomotion by Jacqueline Woodson
- Phineas Gage: A Gruesome but True Story About Brain Science by John Fleischman
- The One and Only Ivan by Katherine Applegate
- Breakthrough!: How Three People Saved "Blue Babies" and Changed Medicine Forever by Jim Murphy
- Sergeant Reckless: The True Story of the Little Horse Who Became a Hero by Patricia McCormick

EXTREME SETTINGS:

- Hurricanes by Seymour Simon
- The Sign of the Beaver Elizabeth George Speare My Side of the Mountain Jean by Craighead George Island of the Blue Dolphins by Scott O'Dell
- Brian's Hunt by Gary Paulsen
- Brian's Return by Gary Paulsen
- Brian's Winter by Gary Paulsen
- The River by Gary Paulsen
- Guts: The True Stories Behind Hatchet and the Brian Books by Gary Paulsen
- A Girl Named Disaster by Nancy Farmer
- A Time of Wonder by Robert McCloskey
- Navigating Early by Clare Vanderpool
- Grand Canyon by Jason Chin
- Moonbird: A Year on the Wind with the Great Survivor by Phillip Hoose

THE REDCOATS ARE COMING:

- Can't You Make Them Behave, King George by Jean Fritz

- For Liberty by Timothy Decker
- Chains Laurie by Halse Anderson
- Forge Laurie by Halse Anderson
- Johnny Tremain by Esther Hoskins Forbes
- My Brother Sam Is Dead James Lincoln Collier
- George Washington, Spymaster by Thomas B. Allen
- Sophia's War: A Tale of Revolution by Avi
- Sam the Minuteman by Nathaniel Benchley
- If You Lived at the Time of the American Revolution by Kay Moore
- Samuel's Choice by Richard Berleth
- Sybil Ludington's Midnight Ride by Marsha Amstel
- Did it All Start with a Snowball Fight? by Mary Kay Carson
- When Washington Crossed the Delaware: A Wintertime Story for Young Patriots

MYTH MAKING:

- Percy Jackson and the Olympians: The Lightning Thief by Rick Riordan
- Treasury of Greek Mythology: Classic Stories of Gods, Goddesses, Heroes, & Monsters Donna by Jo Napoli
- Fables by Arnold Lobel
- The Water Dragon: A Chinese Legend by Li Jian
- Pegasus by Marianna Mayer
- Cupid and Psyche by M. Charlotte Craft
- Treasury of Egyptian Mythology: Classic Stories of Gods, Goddesses, Monsters, & Mortals Donna by Jo Napoli
- A Collection of Rudyard Kipling's Just So Stories by Rudyard Kipling 978-0763626297
- Greek Myths (Usborne) by Heather Amery 978-0794501419
- Classic Myths to Read Aloud: The Great Stories of Greek and Roman Mythology

SUMMER READING TRACKER

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