

# Summer Reading List

Charlottesville City Elementary Schools

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Prepared by City School Librarians

## Picture Books and Beginning Readers

Cutler, Jane. Rose and Riley. Three easy to read stories about friendship.

DiCamillo, Kate. Mercy Watson, Princess in Disguise. Mercy the pig is dressed up like a princess for Halloween.

Dillon, Leo and Diane. Mother Goose Numbers on the Loose.

Friend, Catherine. Perfect Nest. Jack, the cat, is building the perfect nest to attract the perfect chicken.

Henkes, Kevin. Good Day. A bird, a fox, a dog and a squirrel overcome setbacks to have a very good day.

Kann, Victoria and Elizabeth. Pinkalicious. What happens when a little girl loves pink cupcakes too much?

Kirk, Daniel. Library Mouse. Sam lives in a hole in the wall in the children's library.

Wheeler, Lisa. Jazz Baby. Baby and his family make some jazzy music.

Willems, Mo. Knuffle Bunny Two: Case of Mistaken Identity. Trixie, preschool student, discovers that her toy bunny is not one of a kind.

## Middle and Independent Readers

Clements, Andrew. No Talking. A fifth grade class is so noisy that the teacher calls them "unshushables".

Curtis, Christopher Paul. Elijah of Buxton. Elijah, the first free born African American in his town, solves a mystery about a lying preacher who steals money that was to have bought freedom for a family.

Gutman, Dan. Homework Machine. Story about a boy who makes his computer do his homework for him.

Kinney, Jeff. Diary of a Wimpy Kid. Greg's mother wants him to keep a diary.

Lowry, Lois. Gooney, the Fabulous. Gooney Bird Green and her 2nd grade classmates write fables.

Lubar, David. Punished. Logan and his friend are playing tag in the Library when mysteriously they are punished by being able to speak only in puns.

Winthrop, Elizabeth. Counting on Grace. Grace lives in 1912 Vermont and is forced to work in the textile mill.

Pennypacker, Sara. Clementine's Letter. Clementine thinks she knows how to keep her beloved teacher from leaving on a trip to Egypt.

## Information Books, Fiction and Nonfiction

Aston, Dianna Hutts. Seed is Sleepy. Introduction to plants and seeds.

Bateman, Donna M. Deep in the Swamp. Animals and plants in the Okefenokee swamp.

Edwards, Roberta. Who was King Tut? An introduction to the life and family of this Egyptian pharaoh.

Harkoff, Isabella. Owen & Mzee: True Story of a Remarkable Friendship. Friendship between a baby hippo and a 130-year-old tortoise.

Krebs, Laurie. We're Sailing Down the Nile: Journey Through Egypt.

Laurie, David. Down to Earth Guide to Global Warming.

Noyes, Deborah. Red Butterfly: How a Princess Smuggled the Secret of Silk Out of China.

Sayre, April. Stars Beneath Your Bed: Surprising Story of Dust. Virginia Young Reader 2008.

Seeger, Laura. First the Egg. Beautiful illustrations describe the process of change.