

2017 Wellesley Public Schools Summer Reading Recommendations Grades K-5

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*Read something you enjoy this summer! Here are some of our favorite titles
to get you started. Want to read the list online? Visit*

<http://libguides.wellesleyps.org/2017WPSSummerReading>

Picture Books

The Alphabet Thief by Bill Richardson
Be Quiet! by Ryan T. Higgins
Bee and Me by Alison Jay (wordless)
Big Cat, Little Cat by Elisha Cooper
Bob, Not Bob! by Elizabeth Garton Scanlon
Brobarians by Lindsey Ward
A Child of Books by Oliver Jeffers
The Darkest Dark by Chris Hadfield
Egg by Kevin Henkes
Excellent Ed by Stacy McAnulty
**Freedom Over Me: Eleven Slaves, Their Lives
and Dreams Brought to Life** by A. Bryan
Ideas Are All Around by Philip Stead
Jabari Jumps by Gala Cornwell
The Legend of Rock Paper Scissors
by Drew Daywalt
Little Red by Bethan Woollvin
Nanette's Baguette by Mo Willems
Princess Cora and the Crocodile
by Laura Amy Schlitz
Quackers by Liz Wong
South by Daniel Duncan
That Neighbor Kid by Daniel Miyares
The Rooster Who Would Not Be Quiet
by Carmen Agra Deedy
The Tree by Neal Layton
Walk with Me by Jairo Buitrago
Woodpecker Wants a Waffle by Steve Breen
7 Ate 9 by Tara Lazar

Early Reader

The Cookie Fiasco by Dan Santat
Don't Throw it to Mo by David A. Adler
Get a Hit, Mo by David A. Adler
Go, Otto, Go by David Milgrim
Noisy Night by Mac Barnett
Pete the Cat and the Bad Banana
by James Dean
Pug by Ethan Long
We Are Growing! by Laurie Keller
(award winner)
What Is Chasing Duck? by Jan Thomas
**What This Story Needs is a Munch and a
Crunch** (Pig in a Wig) by Emma Virjan
Written and Drawn by Henrietta by Liniers

Beginning Chapter Books

Bramble and Maggie: Snow Day
by Jessie Haas
Captain Pug: The Dog Who Sailed the Seas by
Laura James
The Case of the Weird Blue Chicken
by Doreen Cronin
Juana & Lucas by Juana Medina
Kingdom of Wrenly (series) by Jordan Quinn
MVP (series) by David A. Kelly
Princess in Black (series) by Shannon Hale
Yours Sincerely, Giraffe by Megumi Iwasa

Fiction Chapter Books

As Brave As You by Jason Reynolds
Dog Days (The Carver Chronicles)
by Karen English
Fish in a Tree by Lynda Mullaly Hunt
The Girl Who Drank the Moon
by Kelly Barnhill (award winner)
Ghost by Jason Reynolds
The Goat by Anne Fleming
Henry and the Chalk Dragon
by Jennifer Trafton
The Inquisitor's Tale by Adam Gidwitz
The Left-Handed Fate by Kate Milford
Look Out for the Fitzgerald-Trouts
by Esta Spalding
Pax by Sara Pennypacker
The Poet's Dog by Patricia MacLachlan
When the Sea Turned to Silver by Grace Lin
Skunked!: Calpurnia Tate, Girl Vet
by Jacqueline Kelly
**Sophie Quire and the Last Storyguard: A
Peter Nimble Adventure** by J. Auxier
Three Pennies by Melanie Crowder
Where the Mountain Meets the Moon and
companion books by Grace Lin
The Wild Robot by Peter Brown

Classics

Charlotte's Web by E.B. White
Homer Price by Robert McCloskey
Mr. Popper's Penguins by Richard Atwater
Mrs. Piggle-Wiggle by Betty MacDonald
Pippi Longstocking by Astrid Lindgren

Series

The Bolds by Julian Clary
Cody by Tricia Springstubb
Detective Gordon by Ulf Nilsson
Fenway and Hattie by Victoria J. Coe
The Kicks by Alex Morgan
Nathan Hale's Hazardous Tales
by Nathan Hale
The Notebook of Doom by Troy Cummings
Pedro by Fran Manushkin
Stick Dog by Tom Watson
The 13-Story Treehouse by Andy Griffiths

Graphic Novels

The Amazing Crafty Cat by C. Mericle Harper
Dog Man by Dav Pilkey
El Deafo by Cece Bell
Ghosts by Raina Telgemeier
The Great Pet Escape by Victoria Jamieson
Hamster Princess (series) by Ursula Vernon
Hippopotamister by John Patrick Green
Jake Maddox (series) by Jake Maddox
Little Fox in the Forest by Stephanie Graegin
Narwhal: Unicorn of the Sea (Narwhal and Jelly
Book 1) by Ben Clanton
Noodleheads See the Future by Tedd Arnold
Real Friends by Shannon Hale
Rutabaga: Adventure Chef (books 1 and 2) by
Eric Colossal
Science Comics (Coral Reefs, Dinosaurs, Bats,
Volcanoes)
Secret Coders by Gene Luen Yang
Short Stories for Little Monsters
by Marie-Louise Gay
That's (Not) Mine by Anna Kang

Award-Winning Picture Books

Du Iz Tak? by Carson Ellis
Henry & Leo by Pamela Zagarenski
Locomotive by Brian Floca
Moonshot: The Flight of Apollo 11 by
Brian Floca
Radiant Child by Javaka Steptoe
They All Saw a Cat by Brendan Wenzel
Thunder Boy Jr. by Sherman Alexie
Trombone Shorty by Troy Andrews

Great Nonfiction

- Bees: A Honeyed History** by Piotr Socha
Crossing Niagara: The Death-Defying Tightrope Adventures of the Great Blondin by Matt Tavares
Giant Squid by Candace Fleming
The Kid From Diamond Street by Audrey Vernick
Maker Lab: 28 Super Cool Projects: Build•Invent•Create•Discover by Jack Challoner
Maps by Aleksandra Mizielska
One Proud Penny by Randy Siegel
Pink is for Blobfish: Discovering the World's Perfectly Pink Animals by Jess Keating
The Secret Project by Jonah Winter and Jeanette Winter
Seven and a Half Tons of Steel by Janet Nolan
Under Water, Under Earth by Aleksandra Mizielska

Poetry

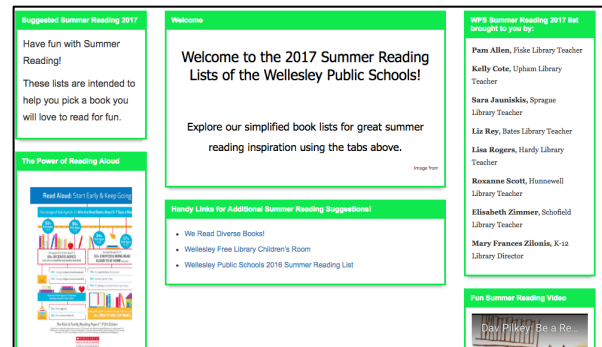
- Among a Thousand Fireflies** by Helen Frost
Animal Ark: Celebrating our Wild World in Poetry and Pictures by Kwame Alexander
Fresh-Picked Poetry: A Day at the Farmers' Market by Michelle Schaub
One Minute Till Bedtime: 60-Second Poems to Send You Off to Sleep ed. Kenn Nesbitt
Out of Wonder: Poems Celebrating Poets by Kwame Alexander
A Poem for Peter: The Story of Ezra Jack Keats and the Creation of The Snowy Day by Andrea Davis Pinkney
Seuss-isms! A Guide to Life for Those Just Starting Out...and Those Already on Their Way by Dr. Seuss
When Green Becomes Tomatoes by Julie Fogliano

Biographies

- Anything But Ordinary Addie** by Mara Rockliff
Charles Darwin's Around-the-World Adventure by Jennifer Thermes
I Dissent: Ruth Bader Ginsburg Makes her Mark by Debbie Levy
Preaching to the Chickens: The Story of Young John Lewis by Jabari Asim
Shark Lady by Jess Keating
Some Writer by Melissa Sweet
Swimming with Sharks: The Daring Discoveries of Eugenie Clark by Heather Lang
Trudy's Big Swim: How Gertrude Ederle Swam the English Channel and Took the World by Storm by Sue Macy

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<https://tinyurl.com/wps-2017-1>



We also created a list of books featuring people and places from many parts of the world:

<http://libguides.wellesley.org/diverse-books>

