

Nonfiction

Brown

Aaron and Alexander: The Most Famous Duel in American History

Both Hamilton and Burr were patriots with common backgrounds, yet politics led them to a conflict that ended in Hamilton's death.

Cox

Elizabeth Queen of the Seas

This is the true story of an elephant seal that made her home in a town in New Zealand. When Elizabeth sunned herself on a busy road, townspeople tried to return her to the sea. However, Elizabeth keeps returning to Christ Church!

Coy

Hoop Genius

Here is the true story of how a physical education teacher invented the game of basketball in 1891.

Fogliano

When Green Becomes Tomatoes: Poems for All Seasons

The seasons come to life in this gorgeous and comprehensive book of poetry.

Hood

Ada's Violin: The Story of the Recycled Orchestra of Paraguay

Ada Ríos grew up in Cateura, a small town in Paraguay built on a landfill. Music teacher Favio Chávez wanted to give the children there something special, so he made them instruments out of materials found in the trash. It was a crazy idea, but one that would leave Ada and her town forever changed.

Nonfiction (cont.)

Jenkins

How to Swallow a Pig

How does a python swallow a pig? Once again author Steve Jenkins provides interesting information about animal behavior in an amusing attractive format.

Keating

Pink Is For Blobfish: Discovering the World's Perfectly Pink Animals

Sure, pink is the color of princesses and bubblegum, but it's also the color of monster slugs and poisonous insects. Not to mention ultra-intelligent dolphins, naked mole rats and bizarre, bloated blobfish. Isn't it about time to rethink pink?

Newman

How to Speak Dog: A Guide to Decoding Dog Language

A guide to help young pet owners decode canine vocalizations and body language. Includes training tips, fun facts and web resources.

Potter

Mrs. Harkness and the Panda

In 1936, Ruth Harkness set out on her own to bring from China the first panda to the United States. The narrative is enhanced with collages of maps, postcards, coins, and compelling illustrations.



Entering Grade 3

Suggested Summer Reading 2017



Compiled by the
Rye City School District
Elementary Librarians:

Amy Andrews- Midland
Cara Lipari- Osborn
Barbara Mehlman- Milton

Chapter Books and Series

Aguirre

Giants/Dragons Beware

Humor and fairytale plots combine in this enchanting graphic novel series with a female protagonist.

Barshaw

Ellie McDoodle

Ellie illustrates her sketchbook while relating her adventures at camp, as the new girl in school, and other situations.

Byars

The SOS File

The students in Mr. Magro's class submit stories for the SOS file about their biggest emergencies and then read them aloud for extra credit.

Friedman

Mallory

Realistic fiction series about an eight-year-old girl as she moves, starts a new school, makes new friends and settles into her new life.

Hale

Princess in Black

When trouble raises its blue monster head, Princess Magnolia ditches her flouncy dresses. A humorous and action-packed series for young readers who like their princesses not only prim and perfect, but also dressed in black.

Chapter Books and Series (cont.)

Keller

The Adventures of Arnie the Doughnut

As Mr. Bing's new pet "doughnut dog," Arnie couldn't be happier. Together with his team of goofball friends, there's some sleuthing and even some magic. Full of Laurie Keller's winning charm and silly humor, this series is sure to please her many fans.

Medina

Juana and Lucas

Juana loves her dog, Lucas, the best amigo ever. She does not love learning English. But when Juana's abuelos tell her about a special trip they are planning, Juana begins to wonder whether learning English might be a good use of her time after all. Hilarious, energetic, and utterly relatable, Juana will win over the hearts of readers everywhere.

Mills

Franklin School Friends

Kelsey, Annika and Izzy are joined by Simon and Cody in this fun series. These friends may like different things, but they are always ready to help and support each other—because that's what best friends do!

Chapter Books and Series (cont.)

Pennypacker

Waylon: One Awesome Thing

Waylon is a likable boy with lots of ideas for making life more awesome through science. It's hard for him to concentrate when a classmate divides all the boys into two competing teams upending friendships. A humorous warm offshoot of the popular Clementine series about family and friendship.

Vernon

Dragonbreath

Using a hybrid of comic-book panels and text, we meet Danny Dragonbreath, who can't breathe fire, but has no fear, and an irresistible set of characters that will have readers laughing until smoke comes out of their noses!

Vernon

Hamster Princess

Harriet Hamsterbone is not your typical princess. She may be quite stunning in the rodent realm but she is not so great at hanging around the palace. Perfect for fans of Babymouse, this laugh-out-loud new comic hybrid series will turn everything you thought you knew about princesses on its head.

