

# HOW TO JOIN

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Summertime is a great time to kick back and take it easy with a good book. In this pamphlet, you will find some wonderful book suggestions from students and librarians for some good summer reading.

Each title has a short annotation to help you choose your summer book selections.

Enjoy your summer,  
enjoy your books!

## QUESTIONS?

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## MRS. WOLKE/JACOBSON'S BOOK CLUB

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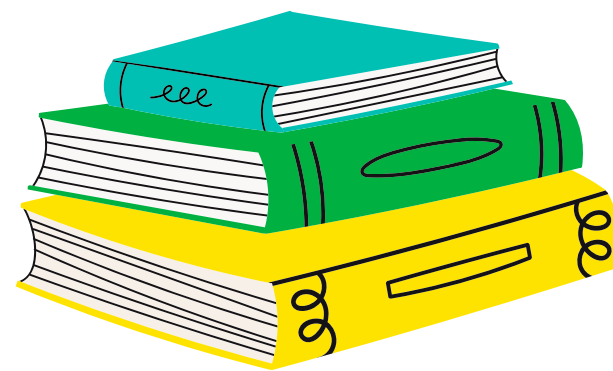
Read! A lot. A reading log is not necessary!

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When you return to school for the following school year, choose a favorite title from all the books you read over the summer.

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At a book club back to school celebration, be ready to describe and share the title and receive a certificate of participation!



# SUMMER READING SUGGESTIONS

# GRADES K-1

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**Across the Bay**  
**Carlos Aponte**

ISBN: 978-1524786625

Life in his hometown is cozy as can be, but the call of the capital city pulls Carlitos across the bay in search of his father. Jolly piragüeros, mischievous cats, and costumed musicians color this tale of love, family, and the true meaning of home.

**Bear**  
**Ben Queen**

ISBN: 978-1684155316

Bear is a service dog who would do anything for his owner and best friend Patrick who is blind. But when Bear suddenly loses his vision, he worried he's lost his purpose in life—protecting Patrick!

**Bear Named Bjorn**  
**Delphine Perret**

ISBN: 978-1776572694

A thoughtful bear has tranquil forest adventures.

**Becoming a Good Creature**  
**Sy Montgomery**

ISBN: 978-0358252105

There are many surprising lessons animals have to teach us about friendship, compassion, and how to be a better creature in the world.

**Evelyn Del Rey is Moving Away**  
**Meg Medina**

ISBN: 978-1536207047

The story of two girls who will always be each other's número uno, even though one is moving away.

**Eyes That Kiss in the Corners**  
**Joanna Ho**

ISBN: 978-0062915627

Drawing from the strength of powerful women in her life a little girl recognizes her own beauty and discovers a path to self-love and empowerment.

**Faraway Things**  
**Dave Eggers**

ISBN: 978\_0316492195

Lucian loves searching for faraway things-items with no obvious owner that have drifted ashore near his home. One day, after a great storm Lucian happens upon a cutlass, and it is unlike anything he has found before.

**Home for a While**  
**Lauren Kerstein**

ISBN: 978-1433831874

Calvin is in foster care, wants to trust someone but is afraid. When he moves in with Maggie, she shows him respect and offers him kindness.

**I Dream of Popo**  
**Livia Blackburne**

ISBN: 978-1250249319

When a young girl and her family emigrate from Taiwan to America, she leaves behind her beloved Popo, her grandmother.

**I Talk Like a River**  
**Jordan Scott**

ISBN: 978-0823445592

When a boy who stutters feels isolated, alone, and incapable of communicating in the way he'd like, it takes a kindly father and a walk by the river to help him find his voice.

**Itzhak: A Boy Who Loved the Violin**  
**Tracy Newman**

ISBN: 978-1419741104

Before becoming one of the greatest violinists of all time, Itzhak Perlman was simply a boy who loved music.

**Kondo and Kezumi Visit Giant Island**  
**David Goodner**

ISBN: 978-1368025775

Kondo is big. Kezumi is little. They live on an island with fruit trees, flutter-birds, and fluffle-bunnies. A surprise bottle washes ashore and they discover a map with a mysterious message.

**Lift**  
**Minh Lê**

ISBN: 978-1368036924

Iris loves to push the elevator buttons in her apartment building. Suddenly, a mysterious new button appears and opens up entire realms of possibilities.

**My Day with the Panya**  
**Tami Charles**

ISBN: 978-0763697495

A young girl in Haiti is eager to learn how to carry a basket to market.

**Our Friend Hedgehog: The Story of Us**  
**Lauren Castillo**

ISBN: 978-1524766719

A beautiful story of friendship, reminiscent of Winnie the Pooh.

**Outside In**  
**Deborah Underwood**

ISBN: 978-1328866821

This thought-provoking picture book poetically underscores our powerful and enduring connection with nature.

**Pea Bee and J: Stuck Together**  
**Brian "Smitty" Smith**

ISBN: 978-0062981165

Get ready to roll in this early reader graphic novel.

**Respect: Aretha Franklin the Queen of Soul**  
**Carole Boston Weatherford**

ISBN: 978-1534452282

This authoritative, rhythmic, Coretta Scott King Illustration Award-winning picture book biography will captivate young readers with Aretha's inspiring story.

**Sydney and Taylor Explore the Whole Wide World**  
**Jacqueline Davies**

ISBN: 978-0358106319

This is the story of two unlikely friends: Sydney and Taylor, a skunk and a hedgehog who strike out to discover the great unknown, despite how afraid they are of it.

**Trouble**  
**Katherine Battersby**

ISBN: 978-0593114049

When a very large bear moves in next door, Squirrel is sure he can only be trouble for her and her beloved pet mouse, Chamomile.

**Your Name is a Song**  
**Jamilah Thompkins-Bigelow**

ISBN: 978-1943147724

Frustrated by a day full of teachers and classmates mispronouncing her beautiful name, a little girl tells her mother she never wants to come back to school. In response, the girl's mother teaches her about the musicality of names on their lyrical walk home through the city.

