

The following books are suggested summer reading for rising 2nd grade students. We encourage all families to prioritize reading with their children over the summer and throughout the school year. Experts agree that children who read during the summer months gain reading skills while those who do not often slide backwards. Choose books from the following list or share some of your personal favorites. Children should be read to or read to a parent for at least 20 minutes each day.

A general rule for selecting books at the appropriate reading level: choose a page and ask your child to read it aloud. If he or she does not know more than five words on the page, the book may be too difficult for them to read independently. Don't let that discourage you - consider reading a "too difficult" book aloud to your child. Your child is never too old to enjoy being read to. This opens the door for quality time and interesting conversations.

• Magic Tree House (Series) by Mary Pope Osborne

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- Box Car Kids (Series) by Gertrude Chandler Warner
- Encyclopedia Brown (series) by Donald J. Sobol
- Henry and Mudge (Series) by Cynthia Rylant
- Mercy Watson (Series) by Kate DiCamillo
- Chicken Squad (Series) by Doreen Cronin
- Leroy Ninker Saddles Up by Kate Dicamillo
- Judy Moody (Series) by Meg McDonald
- Amelia Bedelia (Series) by Peggy Parish
- Flat Stanley (Series) by Jeff Brown
- Ramona (Series) by Beverly Cleary
- · Cam Jansen (Series) by David A. Adler
- The Crazy Case of Missing Thunder by Tony Abbott
- A Bear Called Paddington by Michael Bond

- Frog & Toad (Series) by Arnold Lobel
- Amber Brown (Series) by Paula Danziger
- Curious George (Series) by H.A. Rey
- Arthur (Series) by Marc Brown
- The Magic School Bus (Series) by Joanna Cole
- Nate the Great (Series) by Marjorie Weinman Sharmat
- Mr. Putter & Tabby (Series) by Cynthia Rylant
- How I Spent My Summer Vacation by Mark Teague
- The Man Who Walked Between the Towers by Mordicai Gerstein
- · Alice the Fairy by David Shannon
- Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day by Judith Viorst
- Pirates Don't Change Diapers by Melinda Long
- If the Dinosaurs Came Back by Bernard Most