

## Suggested Reading List

Author		Title	Genre
Adler	David	Cam Jansen, and Bones series	Early Reader
Byars	Betsy	Golly Sisters	Early Reader
Cazet	Denys	Minnie and Moo and others in series	Early Reader
Coven	Wanda	Heidi Heckelbeck series	Early Reader
Davies	Nicola	Tiny Creatures: The World of Microbes	Nonfiction
Demi		The Empty Pot (and others)	Folklore
DePaola	Tomie	Strega Nona	Picture Book
DiCamillo	Kate	Bink & Gollie, and Mercy Watson series	Early Reader
Gibbons	Gail	Non-Fiction series	Non-Fiction
Griffiths	Andy	The Cat on the Mat is Flat	Early Reader
Guest	Elissa	Iris & Walter (series)	Fiction
Hale	Shannon	Princess in Black series	Early Reader
Hoberman	Mary Ann	You Read to Me, I'll Read To You	Picture Book
Kirby	Stan	Captain Awesome series	Early Reader
Klein	Abby	Reddy Freddy Series	Early Reader
Let's Read and Find Out		Example: What Lives in a Shell?	Nonfiction
Science books			
Lobel	Arnold	Frog and Toad series	Early Reader
Long	Ethan	Up! Tall! And High!	Early Reader
Look	Lenore	Ruby Lu series	Early Reader
Marzollo	Jean	I Spy Scholastic Readers	Early Reader
Mattick	Lindsay	Finding Winnie: the true story of the world's most famous bear	Non-Fiction
McDonald	Judy	Stink series	Fiction
McKay	Hilary	Lulu (series)	Fiction
Miller	Sara Swan	Three Stories You Can Read to Your Dog (and others)	Early Reader
National Geographic		National Geographic Readers	Non-Fiction
Nivola	Claire	Life In the Ocean: The Story of Oceanographer Sylvia Earle	Nonfiction
O'Ryan	Ray	Galaxy Jack series	Early Reader
Peterson	John	The Littles series	Fiction
Rosenstock	Barb	The Noisy Paint Box	Nonfiction
Rylant	Cynthia	Mr. Putter and Tabby and others	Early Reader
Sharmat	Marjorie	Nate the Great series	Early Reader
Singer	Marilyn	Mirror Mirror, A book of reversible verse	Poetry
Tang	Greg	Math for All Seasons	Non-Fiction
Thomson	Sarah	Amazing Sharks! (and others)	Non-fiction
Vern	Audrey	Brothers at Bat: The True Story of an All-American Brother Baseball Team	Non-fiction
Yee	Wong Herbert	Upstairs Mouse, Downstairs Mole	Early Reader

## MELROSE PUBIC SCHOOLS 2017 SUMMER READING LIST For Students Entering Grade 2

June 2017

Dear Parents/Guardians,

The Melrose Public Schools' 2017 summer reading list is your ticket to adventures through books. Are you curious about something? Find and explore answers to all your questions in books this summer.

Students are asked to **read for 30 minutes every day during the summer or at least 150 minutes per week**. Books can be read by students on their own or with a partner during the summer. Partners for reading out loud can be parents, guardians, brothers, sisters or other interested caregivers.

**Students must log their minutes read every night using the enclosed calendar and complete a Reading Response for any one book.** Help your child complete the Reading Response by discussing books they have read or books that have been read to them.

We encourage you to visit the Melrose Public Library regularly with your child. The library has copies of the summer reading books, offers fun children's activities for free, and runs a Summer Reading Program (Starting Wednesday, June 21st) that provides special incentives to children who read two or more hours each week.

Extra forms will be available at the Melrose Public Library and on the Melrose Public Schools' website: [www.melroseschools.com](http://www.melroseschools.com). Students must return completed forms to their school in August.

Sincerely,

Cyndy Taymore  
Superintendent of Schools



## Family Summer Reading Tips

- **IMPORTANT:** Children can lose as much as a half a grade level in their reading level during the summer. Between kindergarten and grade 5, not reading over the summer can result in the loss of as much as 3 grade levels of reading growth. The only way to combat summer reading loss is by reading a lot over the summer. Make a plan to read to or with your child everyday for 30 minutes.
- Reading aloud to your child counts as reading. So, if your child isn't reading yet or is reluctant to read on their own, read to them.
- Talk about what you are reading. Give your opinion about the events in the book and ask what your child thinks.
- The best way to learn new words is by reading. Look for words your child may not know as you read. Talk about what they mean. Try to use some of the words later with your child.
- Take books with you wherever you go. Keep books in the car for day trips. Going on errands, take along a set of books to talk about and read as you go. Read at the beach or the park.



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*For Students Entering Grade 2*



**All students entering grades pre-kindergarten through fifth grade are asked to read at least 30 minutes everyday. All students must turn in a reading calendar when school begins in August and one reader's response.**

**Need the forms: visit the Melrose Public Schools website, [www.melroseschools.com](http://www.melroseschools.com).**