

# Suggested Summer Reading List 2023

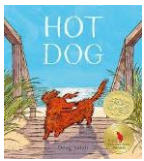
## Barclay School, Grades 2-3

### BCSD Librarians' Disclaimer

These titles are grade level suggestions for recreational reading. We know that not every book is a fit for every child. Parents know their children best, and we encourage you to review these titles to ensure they are the appropriate fit for your child.



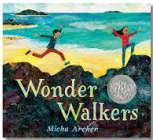
### PICTURE BOOKS & CALDECOTT AWARDS



#### **Hot Dog** By Doug Salati

A perfect summer read as you join a daschund and his person as they escape the city heat.

Caldecott winner 2023



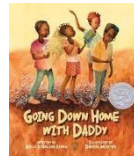
#### **Wonder Walkers** By Micah Archer

The creative cut out and collage style artwork follows a brother and sister on their wondering walk through nature.



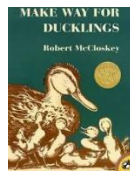
#### **Knight Owl** By Christopher Denise

This 2023 Caldecott Honor book is the story of a little owl who has big dreams of being a knight. Is he big enough to make this dream come true?



#### **Goin' Down Home with Daddy** By Kelly Starling Lyons

A touching story about a family reunion. Everyone has something to share, except Lil' Alan. Will he find something to contribute to his family's story? Caldecott Honor Book.



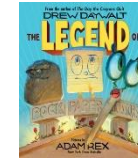
#### **Make Way for Ducklings** By Robert McCloskey

This timeless Caldecott winner tells the story of Mr. & Mrs. Mallard, who raise their ducklings in Boston. They encounter the adventures of busy streets and rely on the help from kindly police officers.



#### **Farmhouse** By Sophie Blackall

Uncover the history of an abandoned house and learn about the vibrant family that once lived there.



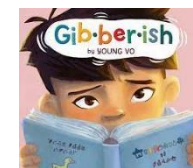
#### **The Legend of Rock, Paper, Scissors** By Drew Daywalt & Adam Rex

The hilarious backstory behind the timeless game "rock, paper, scissors" is imagined in this ever-popular book!



#### **Sam and Dave Dig a Hole** By Mac Barnett

Mac Barnett again captures the imagination of readers as they follow Sam and Dave through a journey underground. See what they find, what they miss, and where they finish their big dig!



#### **Gibberish** By Young Vo

Language does not need to be a barrier to friendship! Follow Dat as he attends an English-speaking school that, to him, sounds like gibberish. Children will learn how to include others who are not fluent in their language.

## FICTION AND CHAPTER BOOK SERIES



### **Magic Tree House – Series\***

**By Mary Pope Osborn**

Join Jack and Annie as they travel through time and

places for a personal look at history and biographies.



### **Kid Spy– Series\***

**By Mac Barnett**

Hilarious and adventurous! Join Mac Barnett's "true" story of his childhood when he was part

time student and part time spy!



### **A Boy Called Bat -Short Series**

**By Elena K. Arnold**

A trio of books that follow

Bixby Alexander Tam (BAT) in his adventures and experiences. Readers learn about the challenges and strengths of people with autism.



### **Narwhal – Series\***

**By Ben Clanton**

These easy reader graphic novels will keep the whole family smiling as Narwhal the narwhal finds silly adventures

with his friends Jelly the jellyfish and Otter the otter.

## CHAPTER BOOKS AND GRAPHIC NOVELS

*Babysitters Club*

*Boxcar Children*

*Dragon Masters*

*Kingdom of Wrenly*

*Owl Diaries*

*Princess in Black*

## AUTHORS TO CHECK OUT

Aaron Blabey

Barbara Park

Betty Birney

Beverly Cleary

Dav Pilkey

Jordan Quinn

Jory John

Judith Viorst

Kate DiCamillo

Katherine Applegate

Mac Barnett

Mo Willems

Peter Brown

Terry Border

Ursula Vernon

## NON-FICTION, JUST THE FACTS!



### **Who Would Win – Series\***

What would happen if two animals met in a showdown?

Learn facts about animal

strength, defenses, skills, and intelligence to determine who would win.



### **What's Inside a Flower\***

**By Rachel Ignotofsky**

This newly released book teaches reader about the life cycle of plants and the

elements that help them grow through beautiful illustrations.



### **I Am Not a Penguin, a**

**Pangolin's Lament, By Liz Wong**

Learn about the mysterious animal, the pangolin, through a funny story-format.



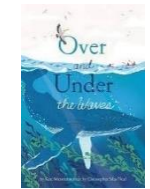
### **Who Was, Biography Series\***

Learn about the people who influenced history in this large biography series.



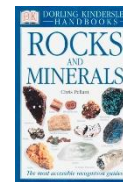
### **Ordinary People Change the World - Series**

A biography series for young readers.



### **Over and Under the Waves By Kate Messner**

Beautiful illustrations and narrative text teach about life above and below the ocean.



### **DK Smithsonian Handbooks**

Learn the facts and identification skills about a variety of topics, such as rocks, minerals, birds, plants, trees, flowers, dinosaurs, and more!



### **Exploring Countries – Series**

Discover the geography and cultures of the world's countries.

Check out the public libraries for more great recommendations!