



Dear Parents and Guardians,

Let's keep literacy alive this summer!

“The value placed on literacy in the home, time spent reading with children, and the availability and use of reading materials have been identified as important elements in children’s reading success.” (Mraz and Rasinski, 2007)

Here is how families can grow literacy skills over the summer:

- Make time for reading
- Encourage writing
- Make time to build vocabulary
- Make sure your children are physically active
- Get out and experience the world

In order to promote a life-long love of literacy, reading and writing must continue throughout the summer. With this in mind, Pennsbury’s elementary schools have developed a summer reading program in which **all students are required to read**.

- Students entering Grades **3, 4, and 5** are required to read **3** books (appropriate to level).
- All students must complete and return one postcard (attached) about one of their summer reading books.
- All students who fulfill the summer reading requirement will be invited to a reading celebration!

All of this information is available on the district web site along with additional resources such as book lists, free local library activities, and the Barnes and Noble summer reading program.

Looking forward to hearing about your summer reading adventures!

Sincerely,

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Postcards from our Summer Vacation



All students must read:

- **3 books**

All students must complete and return:

- **One postcard
(by September 12, 2022)**

“There is more treasure in books than in all the pirates' loot on Treasure Island and best of all, you can enjoy these riches every day of your life.”

- Walt Disney



Summer Reading Suggestions from Your Pennsbury Librarians

GRADES K & 1 **FICTION FAVS**

And Then Comes Summer by Tom Brenner
Any 'ACORN' series by Scholastic
Best Kind of Bear by Greg Gormley
Book Hog by Greg Pizzoli
Can I be Your Dog? by Troy Cummings
Couch Potato by John Jory
Dandy by Ame Dyckman
Day You Begin by Jacqueline Woodson
Elephant and Piggie series by Mo Willems
The Elephant of Surprise by Ezra Stein
Fry Bread: A Native American Family Story
 by Kevin Noble Maillard
Girl Who Never Made Mistakes by Mark Pett
Good Egg by John Jory
Grumpy Monkey series by Suzanne Lang
Hair Love by Matthew Cherry
I am Perfectly Designed by Karamo Brown
Interrupting Chicken by Ezra Stein
Iver and Ellsworth by Casey Robinson
Jabari Tries by Gala Cornwall
A Jack Book by Mac Barnett
Julian is a Mermaid by Jessica Love
Just Like Rube Goldberg by Sara Aaronson
King and Kayla series by Dori Butler
Leila in Saffron by Rukhsanna Guidroz
The Little Butterfly that Could by Ross Burach
Llama, Llama Mess, Mess, Mess
 by The Dewdney Foundation

Ling and Ting series by Grace Lin
Monkey and Cake series by Drew Daywalt
My Papi has a Motorcycle by Isabel Quintero
Narwhal series by Ben Clanton
Noodleheads series by Ted Arnold
The Party and other Stories by Sergio Ruzzier
People Don't Bite People by Lisa Wheeler
Pete the Cat series By James Dean
Pig the Pug series by Aaron Blabey
Pigeon series by Mo Willems
Planting Stories: The Life of Librarian and
Storyteller Pura Belpre by Anika Denise
Pout-Pout Fish series By Deborah Diesen
Potato Pants by Laurie Keller
Proudest Blue: A Story of Hijab & Family
 by Ibtihaj Muhammad
Saffron Ice Cream by Rashin Kheiriyeh
Say Something by Peter Reynolds
Sofia Valdez, Future Prez by Andrea Beaty Sulwe
 by Lupita Nyong
Undefeated by Kwame Alexander
Very Impatient Caterpillar by Russ Burach
You are (Not) Small by Anna Kang
We are Grateful Otsaliheliga by Traci Sorell
When You Are Brave by Pat Zietlow Miller
When Sofie Thinks She Can't by Molly Bang

NONFICTION ROCKS

Books by Gail Gibbons
 Books by Jason Chin
 Books by Steve Jenkins
 DK Readers series
Fly Guy Presents series
'I Am' Biography series
 Nic Bishop's Science series

A Computer Called Katherine
 by Suzanne Buckingham Slade
Ordinary People Change the World series
 by Brad Meltzer
Our Universe series by Stacy McAnulty
Time for Kids series
Who Would Win series by Jerry Pallott



GRADES 2 & 3

FANTASTIC FICTION

<p><i>A Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood</i> by Fred Rogers</p> <p><i>The Amazing Life of Azaleah Lane</i> by Nikki Shannon Smith</p> <p><i>Baby-Sitters Little Sister</i> by Ann Martin</p> <p><i>Bad Guys series</i> by Aaron Blabey</p> <p><i>Bad Kitty series</i> by Nick Bruel</p> <p><i>Ballpark Mysteries</i> by David Kelly</p> <p><i>Binder of Doom</i> by Troy Cummings</p> <p><i>Cat Diaries: Secret Writings of the Meow Society</i> by Betsy Byars</p> <p><i>Craftily Ever After series</i> by Martha Maker</p> <p><i>Critter Club</i> by Callie Barkley</p> <p><i>Dog Diaries</i> by Kate Klimo</p> <p><i>Dog Diaries: Secret Writings of the Woof Society</i> by Betsy Byars</p> <p><i>Dog Man series</i> by Dav Pilkey</p> <p><i>Dr. Kitty Cat</i> by Jane Clarke</p> <p><i>Dory Fantasmagory</i> by Abby Hanton</p> <p><i>Dragon Masters series</i> by Tracey West</p> <p><i>Dyamonde Daniel series</i> by Nikki Grimes</p> <p><i>Eerie Elementary series</i> by Jack Chabert</p> <p><i>Ellray Jake series</i> by Sally Warner</p> <p><i>Frankie Sparks series</i> by Megan Frazer Blakemore</p> <p><i>Flat Stanley Adventures</i> by Jeff Brown</p> <p><i>Geronimo Stilton series</i> Geronimo Stilton</p> <p><i>Good Rosie</i> by Kate DiCamillo</p> <p><i>Hardy Boys Clue Book series</i> By Franklin W. Dixon</p> <p><i>Haunted Library series</i> by Dori Butler</p> <p><i>Heidi Heckelbeck series</i> by Wanda Coven</p> <p><i>Humphrey's Tiny Tales</i> by Betty Birney</p>	<p><i>The Humphrey series</i> by Betty Birney</p> <p><i>Inspector Flytrap series</i> by Tom Angleberger</p> <p><i>Isador Moon series</i> by Harriet Muncaster</p> <p><i>Ivy + Bean series</i> by Annie Barrows</p> <p><i>Jigsaw Jones series</i> by James Preller</p> <p><i>Judy Moody series</i> by Megan McDonald</p> <p><i>Little Shaq series</i> by Shaquille O'Neal</p> <p><i>Lolo series</i> by Nikki Daly</p> <p><i>Lunch Lady series</i> by Jarrett Krosoczka</p> <p><i>My Weirder-est School Series</i> by Dan Gutman</p> <p><i>Magic Tree House series</i> by M. P. Osborne</p> <p><i>Megabat series</i> by Elana Arnold</p> <p><i>Mia Mayhem series</i> by Kara West</p> <p><i>Narwhal & Jelly series</i> by Ben Clanton</p> <p><i>The Never Girls series</i> by Kiki Thorpe</p> <p><i>Notebook of Doom series</i> by Tony Cummings</p> <p><i>Owl Diaries series</i></p> <p><i>Press Start series</i></p> <p><i>Princess in Black series</i> by Shannon Hale</p> <p><i>Puppy Place series</i> by Ellen Miles</p> <p><i>Ryan Hart series</i> by Renee Watson</p> <p><i>Questioners series</i> by Andrea Beaty</p> <p><i>Sarai series</i> by Sarah Gonzales and Monica Brown</p> <p><i>Squish series</i> by Jennifer Holm</p> <p><i>Stella Diaz series</i> by Angela Dominguez</p> <p><i>Stink series</i> by Megan McDonald</p> <p><i>Thea Stilton series</i> by Geronimo Stilton</p> <p><i>Wayside School Beneath of Cloud of Doom</i> by Louis Sachar</p> <p><i>Whatever After series</i> by Sarah Mlynowski</p>
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'NOT TO MISS' NONFICTION

Good Question series
Science Comics series
Weird But True series

What was....? series
Where is.....? series
Who was.....? series



GRADES 4 & 5



PHENOMENAL FICTION

<p><i>13 Story Treehouse series</i> by Andy Griffiths <i>Ahimsa</i> by Supriya Kelkar <i>Amal Unbound</i> by Aisha Saed <i>Awesome Friendly Kid: Rowley Jefferson's Journal</i> by Jeff Kinney <i>Batting Order</i> by Mike Lupica <i>Best Friends</i> by Shannon Hale <i>Big Nate series</i> by Lincoln Peirce <i>Blended</i> by Sharon Draper <i>Bridge Home</i> by Padma Venkatraman <i>City of Ghosts</i> by Victoria Schwab <i>City Spies series</i> by James Ponti <i>Click series</i> by Kayla Miller <i>Diary of an 8-Bit Kitten series</i> by Cube Kid <i>Epic Athletes series</i> by Dan Wetzel <i>Emma and Friends series</i> by Terri Libenson <i>Fairly True Tales series</i> by Liesl Shurtliff <i>Fairy Tale Reform School</i> by Jen Calonita <i>Flashback Four series</i> by Dan Gutman <i>Framed series</i> by James Ponti <i>Frazzled: Everyday Disasters and Impending Doom</i> by Booki Vivat <i>Front Desk series</i> by Kelly Yang <i>Genesis Begins Again</i> by Alicia Williams <i>Guts</i> by Raina Telgemeier <i>Hilo series</i> by Judd Winick <i>How to Steal a Dog</i> by Barbara O'Connor <i>Iggy series</i> by Annie Barrows <i>Insignificant Events in the Life of a Cactus</i> by Dusti Bowling <i>I Survived series...</i> by Lauren Tarshis <i>Katie the Catsitter</i> by Colleen AF Venable <i>Land of Stories series</i> by Chris Colfer <i>The Last Cuentista</i> by Donna Barba Higuera</p>	<p><i>Last Kids on Earth series</i> by Max Brallier <i>Magisterium series</i> by Holly Black <i>Middle School series</i> by James Patterson <i>Mighty Jack</i> by Ben Hatke <i>Miscalculations of Lightning Girl</i> by Stacy McAnulty <i>My Life as a...series</i> by Janet Tashjian <i>New Kid</i> by Jerry Craft <i>One and Only Bob</i> by Katherine Applegate <i>Other Words from Home</i> by Jasmine Warga <i>Pax</i> by Sara Pennypacker <i>Pashmina</i> by Nidhi Chanani <i>Prairie Lotus</i> by Linda Sue Park <i>Promise of Change</i> by Jo Ann Allen Boyce <i>Puppy Tales series</i> by W. Bruce Cameron <i>Race to the Sun</i> by Rebecca Roanhorse <i>Remarkable Journey of Coyote Sunrise</i> by Dan Gemeinhart <i>Sal and Gabi Break the Universe</i> by Carlos Hernandez <i>Spy School series</i> by Stuart Gibbs <i>Stargazing</i> by Jen Wang <i>Stick Cat and/or Stick Cat series</i> by Tom Watson <i>Swap'd</i> by Tamara Ireland Stone <i>Timmy Failure series</i> by Stephan Pastis <i>Tristan Strong series</i> by Kwame Mbalia <i>Truth as told by Mason Buttle</i> by Leslie Connor <i>Unwants series</i> by Lisa McMann <i>Upside Down Magic series</i> by Sarah Mlynowski <i>Where the Mountain Meets the Moon</i> by Grace Lin <i>Wild Robot Escapes</i> by Peter Brown <i>Wings of Fire series</i> by Tui T. Sutherland</p>
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NONFICTION FOR YOU

<p><i>Guts and Glory series</i> <i>Hazardous Tales series</i> <i>Her Right Foot</i> by Dave Eggers <i>Ken Jennings Junior Genius Guides</i> <i>Presidents: Portraits of History</i> by Leah Tinari <i>That's a Good Question series</i> <i>Thrifty Guide series</i> by Jonathan Stokes</p>	<p><i>United Tastes of America</i> by Gabrielle Langholtz <i>Who Did it First? series</i> by Julie Leung <i>Words That Built a Nation</i> by Marilyn Miller <i>Year in Sports</i> by Scholastic <i>You Wouldn't Want to --</i> by various authors <i>You Wouldn't Want to Live Without...</i></p>
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4th and 5th Graders:

Don't forget to check out the new

READING OLYMPICS LIST!

Bucks County Reading Olympics - Elementary Book List 2022



Check out this **FREE** interactive experience from Scholastic
AND help kids in need simply by reading!

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BOOKSELLERS

Barnes and Noble has a summer reading program.

You can earn a free book!

[Barnes and Noble Summer Reading Journal](#)

Happy Reading Everyone! See you in August!

*Mrs. Dillon, Mrs. Edson, Mrs. Moyle, Mr. Roberts, Mrs. Pesature,
Mrs. Pope, Mrs. Schlosberg, Mrs. Shire, and Mrs. Stolber*

DIRECTIONS:

*On the **FRONT** of the postcard:

- ~ Write the title and the author of the book in the top rectangles.
- ~ Draw a picture about the book in the rectangle labeled illustration.
- ~ Include a caption that describes the picture.

*On the **BACK** of the postcard:

- ~ Write a greeting such as Dear, Hi, etc. to your new class.
- ~ Choose one question to answer from the list on the back. Be sure to write your response in **complete sentences**.
- ~ Include a closing such as: Your friend, Love, Sincerely, etc.
- ~ Sign your name – both **first and last** name and include your incoming grade.

TITLE:
AUTHOR:
ILLUSTRATION:
CAPTION:

POSTCARD



TO:

My New Class

1 School Lane

Bookville, PA 12345

