# **Suggested Summer Reading List for Students Entering 3rd Grade**



**Note:** The following books are only suggestions. Please feel free to add any books that are appropriate for your child. The staff in the children's section of the local library will also have many wonderful suggestions for you.

Research has shown that the single greatest factor in predicting reading success is time spent reading. Here are some titles to get your child started! Please note that the reading level of the books suggested varies. To see if a book is a good fit, have your child read a page of the book aloud to you. If they struggle with more than a few words on the page, it is probably too difficult, however, the book would still be a great book for you and your child to read together.

### **Books About School**

- *Amazing Grace* By Mary Hoffman
- Arthur's Prize Reader by Lillian Hoban
- The Day Jimmy's Boa Ate the Wash by Trinka Hakes Noble
- Fish Face by Patricia Reilly Giff
- *Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse* by Harry Allard
- *Miss Nelson is Missing* by Harry Allard

## **Books About Friendship**

- A Bargain for Frances By Russell Hoban
- The Beast in Ms. Rooney's Room By Patricia Reilly Giff
- Fox on the Job by James Marshall
- Frog and Toad Together by Arnold Lobel
- Horrible Harry and the Green Slime by Suzy Kline
- *Pinky and Rex* by James Howe

# Classic Books to Read Aloud to Your Child

- Alice in Wonderland by Lewis Carroll
- Paddington Bear by Michael Bond
- The Wizard of Oz by L. Frank Baum

# **Award Winning Books**

- What Do You Do With A Tail Like This? by Robin Page
- *Madeline* by Ludwig Bemelmans
- Make Way for Ducklings by Robert McCloskey
- Swimmy by Leo Lionni
- *Tops and Bottoms* by Janet Stevens
- *Officer Buckle and Gloria* by Peggy Rathman
- How Much Is a Million? by David M. Schwartz

## **Series Books Kids Love**

- Berenstain Bears series by Jan and Stan Berenstain
- *Junie B. Jones* series by Barbara Park
- *Polk Street Gang* series by Patricia Reilly Giff
- *Arthur* series by Marc Brown
- *Franklin* series by Paulette Bourgeois
- Amelia Bedelia series by Peggy Parish
- *Horrible Harry* series by Suzy Kline
- Pee Wee Scouts series by Judy Delton
- *Marvin Redpost* series by Louis Sachar