

## Rising Third Graders

Summer 2011

Please choose at least two books from the reading list below that we have created for you. The books and authors are some of the best and well-known in children's literature. In your own handwriting list the title of the book and the author's name. We will collect your log at the beginning of the year and do a book report in class on one of the books you read over the summer.

Book Title	Author

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_

### ACTION ADVENTURE

Abbott, Tony *The Hidden Stairs and the Magic Carpet* (Secrets of Droon series)

**DiCamillo, Kate** *The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane*

O'Malley, Kevin *Captain Raptor and the Moon Mystery* (series)

**Osborne, Mary Pope** *Dinosaurs Before Dark* (Magic Tree House series)

**Riordan, Rick** *The Maze of Bones* (39 clues series)

Scieszka, Jon *Knights of the Kitchen Table* (Time Warp Trio series)

### ANIMALS

Birney, Betty *The World According to Humphrey* (series)

Byars, Betsy *Cat Diaries: secret writings of the MEOW Society*

King-Smith, Dick *The School Mouse*

Myers, Laurie *Lewis and Clark and Me: a dog's tale*

### COOL CLASSICS

**Burnett, Frances Hodgson** *The Secret Garden*

**Dahl, Roald** *The BFG; Fantastic Mr. Fox; James and the Giant Peach; Matilda*

**White, E. B.** *Charlotte's Web\*; Stuart Little*

### FLY WITH FANTASY

Brock, Betty *No Flying in the House*

**Cowell, Cressida** *How to Train Your Dragon* (series)

DiTerlizzi, Tony *Kenny and the Dragon*

Farjeon, Eleanor *Elsie Piddock Skips in her Sleep*

Gaiman, Neal *Odd and the Frost Giant*

Gannett, Ruth Stiles *My Father's Dragon*

**Rowling, J.K.** *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone* (series)

Schlitz, Laura *The Night Fairy*

Viorst, Judith *Lulu and the Brontosaurus*

Voight, Cynthia *Young Fredle*

### JUST THE FACTS

Bishop, Nic *Butterflies and Moths; Frogs; Lizards; Marsupials; Spiders*

DK Eyewitness (any book in the series)

Greenberg, Jan *Ballet for Martha: Making Appalachian Spring*

Hatkoff, Isabella *Owen and Mzee: the true story of a remarkable friendship*

Hatkoff, Juliana *Winter's Tail: how one little dolphin learned to swim again*

**Martin, Jacqueline Briggs** *Snowflake Bentley*

**Myron, Vicki with Brett Witter** *Dewey the Library Cat*

Ripken, Cal Jr. *The Longest Season: the story of the Orioles' 1988 losing season*

Who is/Who Was Biography books (series)

LOL

Auch, Mary Jane *I Was a Third Grade Science Project*

Barrows, Annie *Ivy & Bean* (series)

Birdsall, Jeanne *The Penderwicks; The Penderwicks on Gardam Street; The Penderwicks at Point Mouette*

**Davies, Jacqueline** *The Lemonade War*

DiCamillo, Kate *Bink & Gollie*

**Brown, Jeff** *Flat Stanley; Flat Stanley's Worldwide Adventures* (series)

Gutman, Dan *Miss Daisy is Crazy!* (series)

Hannigan, Katherine *Emmaline and the Bunny*

Levine, Gail Carson *The Fairy's Mistake*

Lowry, Lois *Gooney Bird Greene* (series)

**Pennypacker, Sara** *Clementine* (series)

Sachar, Louis *Sideways Stories from Wayside School* (series)

St. George, Judith *The Ghost, the White House and Me*

Scieszka, Jon *Spaceheadz* (series)

Selznick, Brian *The Houdini Box*

Stern, A.J. *Frankly, Frannie* (series)

POETRY

Creech, Sharon *Love that Dog*

Dahl, Roald *Vile Verses*

Prelutsky, Jack *My Dog May be a Genius; The New Kid on the Block*

Silverstein, Shel *Where the Sidewalk Ends*

Kennedy, Caroline *A Family of Poems: my favorite poetry for children*

REAL WORLD

Blume, Judy *Soupy Saturdays with the Pain and the Great One* (series)

Bunting, Eve *Snowboarding on Monster Mountain*

**Cleary, Beverly** *Beezus and Ramona* (series)

Clements, Andrew *No Talking; Frindle*

Fitzhugh, Louise *Harriet the Spy* (series)

Graff, Lisa *Sophie Simon Solves Them All*

Greene, Stephanie *Queen Sophie Hartley* (series)

**McDonald, Megan** *Judy Moody* (series)

Rylant, Cynthia *In Aunt Lucy's Kitchen* (series)

Yee, Lisa *Bobby vs. Girls (accidentally)* (series)

## SPORTS

**Christopher, Matt** *The Kid Who Only Hit Homers (series); Soccer Hero*

Gutman, Dan *The Million Dollar Shot*

Lupica, Mike *Hot Hand (series)*

Wallace, Rich *Ball Hogs (series)*

## TAKE ME BACK

**Avi Iron Thunder: the battle between the Monitor & the Merrimac: a Civil War novel**

Dalgiesh, Alice *The Courage of Sarah Noble\**

Dear America (series)

MacLachan, Patricia Sarah, *Plain and Tall\** (series)

**Tarshis, Lauren** *I Survived the Sinking of the Titanic, 1912; I Survived the Shark Attacks of 1916; I Survived Hurricane Katrina, 2005*

Wilder, Laura *Ingalls Little House in the Big Woods (series)*

## WHO DID IT?

**Adler, David** *Cam Jansen and the Mystery of the Stolen Diamonds (series)*

American Girl Mysteries (series)

Frazer, Marla *A Couple of Boys Have the Best Week Ever*

Hale, Bruce *The Chameleon Wore Chartreuse (series)*

**Hardy Boys (series)**

**Keene, Carolyn** *Nancy Drew (series)*

Montgomery, Louis B. *The Case of the Stinky Socks (series)*

Roy, Ron *A to Z Mysteries (series)*

**Sobol, Donald J.** *Encyclopedia Brown, Boy Detective (series)*

Torrey, Michele *The Case of the Gasping Garbage: (and other super-scientific cases) (series)*

**Warner, Gertrude Chandler** *The Boxcar Children (series)*

## PARENT SUGGESTIONS

Miller, Donalyn *The Book Whisperer: Awakening the Inner Reader in Every Child*

Mogel, Wendy *The Blessing of a B Minus; The Blessing of a Skinned Knee*

\*Newbery Award or Honor Book

Bolded titles indicate Third Grade Favorites