

## SSA Junior School & Country Day Suggested Summer Reading 2020



Dear Shady Side Academy families,

As daylight lengthens and stretches towards summer, it is time for students to reach out and read.

This year, the Junior School and Country Day schools have created a combined list of suggested titles that students may choose for their summer reading. If students are unable to access these titles, they are encouraged to seek out any available books to enjoy over the coming summer months. We hope the Summer Reading Bingo card will inspire students to read and relax in a variety of settings with an assortment of books (we challenge our students to fulfill five across, five down or five diagonally). Additional reading suggestions and resources can be found on each school's library page.

The right book in a reader's hands makes for an enjoyable escape from or exciting encounter with the real world. Summer reading also helps ensure that a student's interest in books, motivation to read, and reading level skills continue to grow. Research suggests that reading, at least three books, is needed to maintain a child's current reading level. It is the librarian's hope that your child will find many titles from the combined lists to love this summer.

Wishing you a wonderful summer,

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Country Day School Librarian

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Junior School Librarian

## **Students Entering 3rd Grade in the Fall**

We encourage our students entering third grade to read *at least three books* this summer. Below are suggestions for your child's grade in the fall; however, if you are unable to get a book on the list, reading any three books will do!

[Beatrice Zinker Upside Down Thinker](#) (series) by Shelley Johannes \*

[Franklin School Friends](#) (series) by Claudia Mills \*

[Fergus and Zeke](#) (series) by Kate Messner \*

[The Field Guide](#) (*Spiderwick Chronicles*) Toni Diterlizzi \*

[Lulu](#) (series) by Hilary McKay \*

[The Meanest Birthday Girl](#) by Josh Schneider

[Tales from Deckawoo Drive](#) (series) by Kate DiCamillo \*

[Wicked Nix](#) by Lena Coakley

[Heroes in Training](#) (series) by Joan Holub and Tracey West \*

[Saving Winslow](#) by Sharon Creech

[Third Grade Angels](#) by Jerry Spinelli

[Carver Chronicles](#) (series) by Karen English \*

[Bunnicula](#) (series) by James Howe \*

[Who Was... Biographies](#) from Penguin Young Readers

[The Sand Warrior](#) (*5 Worlds series*) by Mark Siegel

\* indicates any book in the series