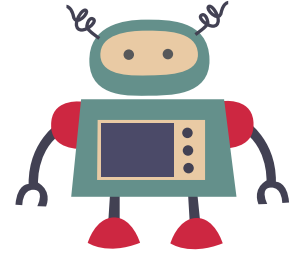


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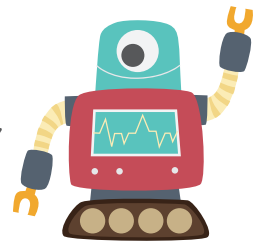
The Library Committee and Class Teachers are pleased to present the DWS 2017 Summer Reading for students in rising 2<sup>nd</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grades. Summer is a wonderful time to spread out a blanket and read with your child. The English language has by far the largest vocabulary and most complex code (rules) of any other language. It also has a unique ability to absorb words from other languages. All of this makes English the preferred language of poets and playwrights because subtle shades of meaning can be expressed. Vocabulary becomes essential for proficient reading in this wonderfully complex language. Vocabulary acquisition is best obtained through reading.

*So... relax, sip a lemonade and **READ!***



## THINGS YOU CAN DO:

1. **PICK A BOOK!** You can use the enclosed suggested book list for some ideas.
2. **READ 600 PAGES!** Write down each book on the log page.
3. **RATE IT!** Did you "Like it," "Love it"? Would you give it a 10+ or 3 stars, maybe 5 hearts? Would you share or not share?
  4. Design a new cover for your favorite book.
  5. Write a review on the enclosed index cards.



Be sure to include your name, grade and the title of the book.

We'll use these in the library.

6. Make a bookmark. Draw a scene from your favorite story, a favorite character or the joys of reading.

7. **HAVE FUN!**

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### **TALES FROM THE FERTILE CRESENT & ANCIENT GREECE**

*Casting the Gods Adrift*,  
by Geraldine McCaughreen

*The Egypt Game*, by Zilpher Snyder

*The Golden Bull*, by Marjorie Crowley

*Pharaoh's Daughter: A Novel of Ancient Egypt*,  
by Julius Lester

*Oracles of Delphi Keep*, by Victoria Laurie

*Theodosia: Serpents of Chaos*, by R.L. La Fevers

### **TALES FROM THE AMERICAS**

*Al Capone Does my Shirts*, by Gennifer Choldenko

*Bud, Not Buddy*, by Christopher Paul Curtis

*Drive at Night*, by Gail Carson Levine

*Esperanza Rising*, by Pam Munzo-Ryan

*Ghost Girl: A Blue Ridge Mountain Story*,  
by Delia Ray

*Gentle Ben*, by Walt Mory

*Racal*, by Sterling North

*Kavik: The Wolf Dog*, by Walt Morley

*Kira-Kira*, by Cynthia Kadohata

*Leaving Gee's Bend*, by Irene Latham

*Glory Be*, by Augusta Scattergood

*Moon Over Manifest*, by Claire Vanderpool

*Mavigating Early*, by Claire Vanderpool

*One Crazy Summer*, by Rita Garcia-Wilson

*Ruby Holler*, by Sharon Chreech

*Weasel*, by Cynthia DeFelicie

*What the Moon Said*, by Gayle Rosengren

*Wolf Hollow*, by Lauren Wolk

*Fever 1793* by Laurie Halse Anderson

*Chains (The Seeds of America Trilogy)*,  
by Laurie Halse Anderson

*Blue Birds*, by Caroline Starr Rose

*Paper Wishes*, by Lois Sepahban

*The Lightning Queen*, by Laura Resau

*The Evolution of Calpurnia Tate*, by Jacqueline Kelly

*Chasing Secrets* by Gennifer Choldenko

### **TALES OF MODERN FAMILY FIFE**

*Because of Winn Dixie*, by Kate DiCamillo

*The Boys of Blur*, by N.D. Wilson

*Half a Chance*, by Cynthia Lord

*Hope, Faith, and Ivy June*, by Phyllis Reynolds

*How to Steal a Dog*, by Barbara O'Connor

*The Junction of Sunshine and Lucy*,  
by Holly Schinder

*Hope is a Ferris Wheel*, by Robin Herrera

*Mokingbird*, by Katherine Erkin

*Out of My Mind*, by Sharon Draper

*Wonder*, by R.J. Palacio

*A Mango Shaped Shape*, by Wendy Mass

*Reaching for the Sun*, by Tracie Zimmer

*Rules*, by Cynthia Lord

*The Second Life of Abigail Walker*,  
by Frances O'Rourke

*Surviving the Applewhites*, by Stephane Tolan

*Tangerine*, by Edward Bloor

*Waiting for Normal*, by Leslie Connor

*Zane and the Hurricane: A Story of Katrina*,  
by Rodman Philbrick

*When MischieF Came to Town*, by Katrina Nannestad

*Little Cat's Luck*, by Marion Dane Bauer

*As Brave As You*, by Jason Reynolds

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## TALES OF FANTASY

*The Bartimaeus Trilogy*, by Jonathan Stroud  
*The Scraming Staircase*, by Jonathan Stroud  
*Darkbeast*, by Morgan Keyes  
*The Folk Keeper*, by Franny Billingsly  
*Three Times Lucky*, by Shelia Turnage  
*The Lost Years*, by T.A. Baron  
*Goblin Secrets*, by William Alexander  
*Handbook of Dragon Slayers*, by Merrie Haskell  
*The Kronus Chronicles*, by Marie Rutoski  
*The Mark of the Dagonfly*, by Jaleigh Johnson  
*The Last Book in the Universe*,  
by Rodman Philbrick  
*The Lost Children*, by Carolyn Cohagen  
*The Luck Uglies*, by Paul Durham  
*A Phantom Tollbooth*, by Norton Jester  
*Seven Wild Sister*, by Charles de Lint  
*A Snicker of Magic*, by Natalie Lloyd  
*A Wrinkle in Time*, by Madeline L'Engle  
*The Scourge*, by Jennifer Nielsen

## TALES OF FRIENDSHIP

*Afternoon of the Elves*, by Janet Lisle  
*Bluish*, by Virginia Hamilton  
*Cicada Summer*, by Andra Beaty  
*Fame and Glory in Freedom, Georgia*,  
by Barabara O'Connor  
*Holes*, by Louis Sachar  
*The Friendship*, by Mildred Taylor  
*The Janitor's Boy*, by Andrew Clements  
*The Liberation of Gabriel King*, by K.L. Going  
*Loser*, by Jerry Spinelli  
*Maniac Magee*, by Jerry Spinelli

*Ms. Bixby's Last Day*, by John David Anderson

*The WolfKeepers*, by Elise Broach

*Fish in a Tree*, by Lynda Mullaly Hunt

*The Inquisitor's Tale, or, The Three Magical Children  
and Their Holy Dog*, by Adam Gidwitz

## OVERCOMING OBSTACLES

*Alchemy and Meggy Swan*, by Karen Cushman

*Flights and Chimes and Mysterious Train*,  
by Emma Travagne

*Ice Whale*, by Jean Craighead George

*The Invention of Hugo Cabret*, by Brian Selznick

*Listen!*, by Stephanie S. Tolan

*A Single Shard*, by Linda Sue Park

*Love, Aubrey*, by Suzanne Le Fleur

*Ninth Ward*, by Jewell Parker Rhodes

*Paperboy*, by Vince Vawter

*Echo*, by Pam Munoz Ryan

*Shadow of a Bull*, by Maia Wojciechowska

*Tales of the Ancient Darkness*, by Michelle Paver

*Wild Robot*, by Peter Brown

*As Brave As You*, by Jason Reynolds

*Garvey's Choice*, by Nikki Grimes

*Hundred Percent*, by Karen Romano Young

*Nothing But Trouble*, by Jacqueline Davies

*Nim's Island*, by Wendy Orr

## SILLY TALES

*Unusual Chickens for the Exceptional Poultry Farmer*,  
by Kelly Jones

## MYSTERIOUS TALES

*A Drowned Maiden's Hair*, by Laura Amy Schlitz

*The Boundless*, by Kenneth Oppel

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## **MYSTERIOUS TALES**

- The City of Ember*, by Jeanne Du Prau  
*Escape from Mr Lemoncello's Library*,  
by Chris Grabenstein  
*Eyes of the Amaryllis*, by Natalie Babbitt  
*The Inquisitor's Apprentince*, by Chris Moriarty  
*The Last Wild*, by Piers Torday  
*Pals in Peril*, by M.T. Anderson  
*The Secret Hum of a Daisy*, by Tracy Holczer  
*Steinbeck's Ghost*, by Lewis Buzbee  
*Under the Egg*, by Laura Marx Fitzgerald  
*Rooftopper's*, by Katherine Rundell  
*Serafina and the Black Cloak*, by Robert Beatty  
*To Catch a Cheat*, by Varian Johnson  
*All Rise for the Honorable Perry T. Cook*,  
by Leslie Connor  
*Waiting for Augusta*, by Jessica Lawson

## **TALES OF ADVENTURE**

- The Cay*, by Theodore Taylor  
*Daimond Willow*, by Helen Frost  
*Hatchet*, by Gary Paulsen  
*A Dog's Way Home*, by Bobbie Pyron  
*Ice Dogs*, by Terry Lynn Johnson  
*Ice Drift*, by Theodore Taylor  
*Julie of the Wolves*, by Jean Craighead George  
*Kensuke's Kingdom*, by Micheal Morpurgo  
*Kokoelli's Flute*, by Will Hobbs  
*May B. Caroline*, by Starr Rose  
*The Mostly True Adventures of Homer P. Figg*,  
by Rodman Philbrick  
*Revenge of the Whale*, by Rodman Philbrick  
*Winter Sky*, by Patricia Reilly Giff

*Icefall*, by Matthew J. Kirby

*The Key to Extraordinary*, by Natalie Lloyd

*War Horse*, by Michael Morpurgo

*An Elephant in the Garden: Inspired by a True Story*,  
by Michael Morpurgo

*The Last of the Really Great Whangdoodles*,  
by Julie Andrews Edwards

## **CLASSIC TALES**

- Black Beauty*, by Anna Sewall  
*Treasure Island*, by Robert Louis Stevenson  
*Kidnapped*, by Robert Louis Stevenson  
*Little Women*, by Louisa May Alcott  
*20,000 Leagues Under the Sea*, by Jules Vernon  
*Peter Pan*, by J.M. Barrie  
*Kim*, by Rudyard Kipling  
*The Merry Adventures of Robin Hood*,  
by Howard Pyle  
*Robinson Crusoe*, by Daniel Defoe

## **MULTICULTURAL TALES**

- Flying Lessons & Other Stories*, by Ellen Oh  
*Where the Mountain Meets the Moon*, by Grace Lin  
*Starry River of the Sky*, by Grace Lin  
*When the Sea Turned to Silver*, by Grace Lin  
*One Half from the East*, by Nadia Hashimi  
*It Ain't So Awful, Falafel*, by Firoozeh Dumas  
*Booked*, by Kwame Alexander

## **ANIMALS & NATURE**

- The Great White Shark Scientist*, by Sy Montgomery

## **AMAZING PEOPLE & EVENTS**

***Fannie Never Flinched: One Woman's Courage in the Struggle for American Labor Union Rights,***  
by Mary Cronk Farrell

***Irena's Children: Young Readers Edition;  
A True Story of Courage,*** by Mary Cronk Farrell

***Some Writer!: The Story of E. B. White,*** by Melissa Sweet

***Breakthrough! How Three People Saved "Blue Babies"  
and Changed Medicine Forever,*** by Jim Murphy

***The Boys in the Boat (Young Readers Adaptation),***  
by Daniel James Brown

***The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind,  
Young Reader's Edition,***  
by William Kamkwamba

***Chasing Space Young Readers' Edition,***  
by Leland Melvin

***Undefeated: Jim Thorpe and the Carlisle Indian School  
Football Team,*** by Steve Sheinkin

***Bubonic Panic: When Plague Invaded America,***  
by Gail Jarrow

***Dive! World War II Stories of Sailors &  
Submarines in the Pacific,***  
by Deborah Hopkinson

***Amelia Lost: The Life and Disappearance  
of Amelia Earhart,*** by Candace Fleming

***My Life with the Chimpanzees,*** by Jane Goodall

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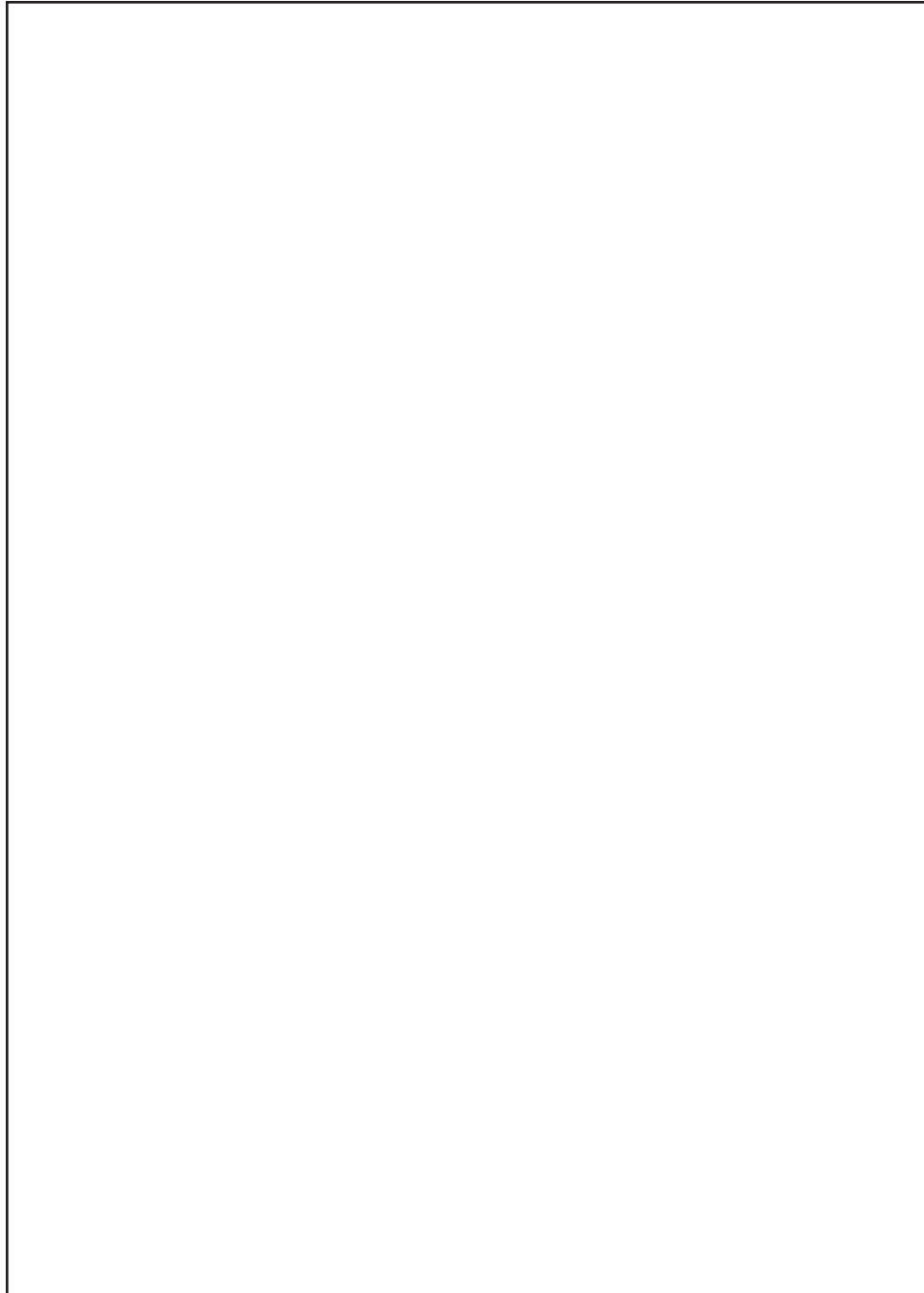
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**BE SURE TO INCLUDE THE BOOK TITLE, AUTHOR'S  
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