

## Suggested Reading List

<i>Author</i>		<i>Title</i>
Archer	Micha	Daniel's Good Day
Carle	Eric	Mr. Seahorse & others
Cooper	Elisa	Big Cat, Little Cat
Cousins	Lucy	Maisy Goes To Pre-School
Crews	Donald	10 Black Dots
Dean	James	Pete the Cat and others
Dewdney	Anna	Llama Llama, Red Pajamas & others
Feiffer	Jules	Bark George
Fisher	Valerie	Everything I Need to Know Before I'm Five
Fogliano	Julie	Just in Case You Wait to Fly
French	Vivian	Yucky Worms
Gravett	Emily	Orange Pear Apple Bear
Henkes	Kevin	Waiting and others
Hoban	Tana	26 Letters and 99 Cents
Idle	Molly	Flora and the Flamingo
Keats	Ezra Jack	Snowy Day & others
Krauss	Ruth	Roar Like a Dandelion
Leaf	Munro	The Story of Ferdinand
Lichtenheld	Tom	E-Mergency!
Lionni	Leo	Swimmy & others
Martin	Bill	Ten Little Caterpillars & others
Martinez-Neal	Juana	How Alma Got Her Name
Morris	Richard	Bear Came Along
Matheson	Christie	Tap the Magic Tree
McMullan	Kate	I Stink! & others
Penfold	Alexandra	All Are Welcome
Rinker	Sherri Dusker	Goodnight, Goodnight Construction Site & others
Rosen	Michael	We're Going On a Bear Hunt
Sendak	Maurice	Where the Wild Things Are
Seeger	Laura Vaccaro	Lemons Are Not Red & others
Thompkins Bigelow	Jamilah	Mommy's Khimar
Tullet	Herve	Press Here & others
Willems	Mo	Knuffle Bunny & others
Wilson	Karma	Bear Snores On & others
Wood	Audrey	The Napping House
Yolen	Jane	How Do Dinosaurs series
Zimmerman	Andrea	Trashy Town

## MELROSE PUBLIC SCHOOLS' 2020 SUMMER READING LIST For Students Entering Pre-Kindergarten

April 2020

Dear Parents/Guardians,

The Melrose Public Schools' 2020 summer reading list is your ticket to adventures through books. Are you curious about something? Find and explore answers to all your questions in books this summer.

Students are asked to **read for 30 minutes every day during the summer or at least 150 minutes per week**. Books can be read by students on their own or with a partner during the summer. Partners for reading out loud can be parents, guardians, brothers, sisters or other interested caregivers.

**Students must log their minutes read every night using the enclosed calendar and complete a Reading Response for any one book.** Help your child complete the Reading Response by discussing books they have read or books that have been read to them.



We encourage you to visit the Melrose Public Library regularly with your child. The library has copies of the summer reading books, offers great children's activities for free, and runs a Summer Reading Program that provides special incentives to children who read two or more hours each week. Registration begins the week of June 22nd and continues all summer long. Please visit [Melrose Public Library](#) for more information on summer programming.

Extra forms will be available at the Melrose Public Library and on the Melrose Public Schools' website: [www.melroseschools.com](http://www.melroseschools.com). Students must return completed forms to their school in August.



Sincerely,

Cyndy Taymore  
Superintendent of Schools

## Family Summer Reading Tips

- **IMPORTANT:** Children can lose as much as a half a grade level in their reading level during the summer. Between kindergarten and grade 5, not reading over the summer can result in the loss of as much as 3 grade levels of reading growth. The only way to combat summer reading loss is by reading a lot over the summer. Make a plan to read to or with your child every day for 30 minutes.
- Reading aloud to your child counts as reading. Reading books on tape or on an e-reader count. So, if your child isn't reading yet or is reluctant to read on their own, read to them.
- Talk about what you are reading. Give your opinion about the events in the book and ask what your child thinks.
- The best way to learn new words is by reading. Look for words your child may not know as you read. Talk about what they mean. Try to use some of the words later with your child.



- Take books with you wherever you go. Keep books in the car for day trips. Going on errands, take along a set of books to talk about and read as you go. Read at the beach or the park.

- Visit the library as often as possible. If you are having trouble finding books to interest your child, ask the children's librarian for help. They can recommend lots of great books, even for the most reluctant of readers.

**All students entering grades pre-kindergarten through fifth grade are asked to read at least 30 minutes every day. All students must turn in a reading calendar when school begins in August and one reader's response.**

**Need the forms: visit the Melrose Public Schools website, [www.melroseschools.com](http://www.melroseschools.com).**

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