# <u>Suggested Summer Reading List for Students</u> <u>Entering 4<sup>th</sup> Grade</u>



**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 for them to read independently, however, the book would still be a great book to read aloud with your child.

### **Books About School**

- Ramona and Her Father by Beverly Cleary
- Sideways Stories from Wayside School by Louis Sachar
- The Best School Year Ever by Barbara Robinson

#### **Books About Animals**

- *Catwings* by Ursula K. Le Guin
- Rain on the Roof and Other Stories by James Marshall
- *Fantastic Mr. Fox* by Roald Dahl
- *The Mouse and the Motorcycle* by Beverly Cleary
- Stone Fox by John Reynolds Gardiner

#### **Books About Friendship**

- *The Hundred Dresses* by Eleanor Estes
- Freckle Juice by Judy Blume
- The Kid in the Red Jacket by Barbara Park

## **Award Winning Books**

- Dr. De Soto by William Steig
- The Village of Round and Square Houses by Ann Grifalconi
- The Ox-Cart Man by Donald Hall
- *The Story of Jumping Mouse* by John Steptoe
- *The Sweetest Fig* by Chris Van Allsburg

#### **Series Books Kids Love**

- Boxcar Children series by Gertrude Chandler Warner
- *Encyclopedia Brown* series by Donald J. Sobol
- *Julian* series by Ann Cameron
- The Babysitter's Club by Ann M. Martin