2022 Summer Reading at Heim Middle School

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At this time of year, many parents are looking for summer reading suggestions. While Heim Middle has no formal or required summer reading lists, the following are new fiction titles that your middle school child may enjoy. Please note that the grade level recommendations are written with the typical Heim Middle student in mind. Parents are the best judges of a book's suitability for their child based upon their child's maturity, reading ability, interests, and values.

Books for Fifth & Sixth Grade Students:

Alice's Farm: A Rabbit's Tale by Maryrose Wood

Batting Order by Mike Lupica

The Best at It by Maulik Pancholy

Chirp by Kate Messner

Class Act by Jerry Craft

Clean Getaway by Nic Stone

The Curse of the Mummy: Uncovering Tutankhamun's Tomb by Candace Fleming

Echo Mountain by Lauren Wolk

From the Desk of Zoe Washington by Janae Marks

Gold Rush Girl by Avi

Isaiah Dunn is My Hero by Kelly J. Baptist

The List of Things That Will Not Change by Rebecca Stead

More to the Story by Hena Khan

The Mysterious Disappearance of Aiden S.: (as told to his brother) by David Levithan

The Only Black Girls in Town by Brandy Colbert

The Other Half of Happy by Rebeca Balcarcel

Prairie Lotus by Linda Sue Park

Strange Birds: A Field Guide to Ruffling Feathers by Celia Perez

Too Bright to See by Kyle Lukoff

Wink: Surviving Middle School with One Eye Open by Rob Harrell

When Stars are Scattered by Victoria Jamieson

When You Trap a Tiger by Tae Keller

Books for Seventh & Eighth Grade Students:

All-American Muslim Girl by Nadine Jolie Courtney

American Born Chinese by Gene Luen Yang

Anthem by Deborah Wiles

Black Brother, Black Brother by Jewell Parker Rhodes

Bloom by Kenneth Oppel

The Canyon's Edge by Dusti Bowling

Center of Gravity by Shaunta Grimes

Dress Coded by Carrie Firestone

The Field Guide to the North American Teenager by Ben Philippe

Genesis Begins Again by Alicia Williams

The Gilded Wolves by Roshani Chokshi

Fighting Words by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley

How We Got to the Moon by John Rocco

King and the Dragon Flies by Kacen Callendar

Letters from Cuba by Ruth Behar

Pine Island Home by Polly Horvath

Redwood and Ponytail by K. A. Holt

The Tornado by Jake Burt

Santiago's Road Home by Alexandra Diaz

Village of Scoundrels by Margi Preus

We Dream of Space by Erin Entrada Kelly

When the Sky Fell on Splendor by Emily Henry