

2023 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:

Answers in the Pages by David Levithan
Be Real, Macy Weaver by Lakita Wilson
Bhai for Now by Maleeha Siddiqui
Big Tree by Brian Selznick
The Carrefour Curse by Dianne Salerni
Firefly Summer by Morgan Matson
Houdini and Me by Dan Gutman
Jennifer Chan is Not Alone by Tae Keller
The Last Mapmaker by Christina Soontornvat
Lotus Bloom and the Afro Revolution by Sherri Winston
The Midnight Children by Dan Gemeinhart
Molly and the Machine by Erik Jon Slingerup
New from Here by Kelly Yang
Odder by Katherine Applegate
Rare Birds by Jeff Miller
Snow Foal by Susanna Bailey
The Space We're in by Katya Balen
Those Kids from Fawn Creek by Erin Entrada Kelly
Tiger Honor by Yoon Ha Lee
We Own the Sky by W. R. Philbrook
What We Saw by Mary Downing Hahn
Witchlings by Claribel Ortega

Books for Seventh & Eighth Grade Students:

Big Rig by Louise Hawes
Camp Quiltbag by Nicole Melleby
The Door of No Return by Kwame Alexander
Everything Sad is Untrue by Daniel Nayeri
Fast Pitch by Nic Stone
The First Rule of Climate Change by Carrie Firestone
The Getaway by Lamar Giles
Green Eyes and Ham by Mary Penney
The Honeys by Ryan LaSala
In the Key of Us by Mariama J. Lockington
The Language of Seabirds by Will Taylor
The Magical Imperfect by Chris Baron
The Many Assassinations of Samir, the Seller of Dreams by Daniel Nayeri
Ode to a Nobody by Caroline Brooks DuBois
Race Against Death: The Greatest POW Rescue of World War II by Deborah Hopkinson
Rez Dogs by Joseph Bruchac
The Secret Battle of Evan Pao by Wendy Wan Long Shang
Sofi and the Bone Song by Adrienne Tooley
Some Kind of Hate by Sarah Littman
The Switch by Roland Smith
Two Degrees by Alan Gratz
A Warning About Swans by R. M. Romero