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 Slangerup  
*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 Toole  
*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