**Locust Valley, NY 11560**

**Summer Reading Suggestions 2019**

**For Students Entering Second Grade**

Your child should give any book to be read independently the “five finger test.” If the child has difficulty with five or more words on a page, the book is probably too difficult to be read independently at this time. Many new readers feel secure reading books in a series. Several of the titles listed below are part of a series. If the title listed here is not available, try others in the series. \*Denotes part of a series.

Adler, David A.

\*Bones and the Big Yellow Mystery.

Young Detective Jeffrey Bones must use his smarts and his detective tools to help Mr. Green find his missing bus.

\*Young Cam Jansen and the Missing Cookie.

Cam must use her photographic memory to try to find her classmate’s missing cookies.

Byars, Betsy.

\*Ant Plays Bear.

Ant plays bear with his brother, talks about growing up, hears a tapping at the window and learns to be a good friend.

Coerr, Eleanor.

Buffalo Bill and the Pony Express.

This “I Can Read” version tells of the adventures and dangers of young Bill Cody, rider for the Pony Express.

Cushman, Doug.

Inspector Hopper.

With the aid of his partner, McBugg, Inspector Hopper is out to solve the case of the missing Ladybug.

Danziger, Paula.

\*Get Ready for Second Grade Amber Brown.

Amber Brown begins to have first day jitters when she hears she will have the new second grade teacher.

Dean, James.

\*Pete the Cat: Pete’s Big Lunch.

Pete the cat shares his big lunch with his friends.

DiCamillo, Kate.

\*Mercy Watson to the Rescue.

The Watson’s loveable family pig, Mercy, comes to the rescue in a roundabout way when the Watson’s bed falls through the floor.

Farley, Robin.

\*Mia and the Tiny Toe Shoes.

Mia helps out the younger dancers when she acts as teacher for the day in the little girls' class.

Henkes, Kevin.

\*Penny and her Song.

Penny comes home from school eager to share her very own song, but must wait until the time is right to teach it to her parents and the babies.

Horowitz, Ruth.

Breakout at the Bug Lab.

When a giant cockroach escapes from their mother’s laboratory, Leo and his brother must think like a bug to track him down.

Howe, James.

\*Houndsley and Catina.

Houndsley and Catina realize that they may not be as good at cooking or writing as they are at being a good friend.

Jacobson, Jennifer Richard.

\*Andy Shane and the Very Bossy Dolores Starbuckle.

Because of Dolores Starbuckle is the class know-it-all, Andy Shane doesn’t want to go to school any more. Will Granny Webb’s stare help solve the situation?

Kvasnosky, Laura.

\*Zelda and Ivy, the Runaways.

In three short stories, two fox sisters run away from home, bury a time capsule, and take advantage of some creative juice.

Little, Jean.

Emma’s Strange Pet.

Emma is allergic to furry pets so she and her adopted brother, Max, must consider a strange animal with no fur as the perfect pet.

Lobel, Arnold.

\*Frog and Toad Are Friends.

Amusing stories of two best friends.

Maitland, Barbara.

The Bookstore Ghost.

When Mr. Brown brings a cat into his bookstore to catch mice, the cat comes up with some interesting ways to attract customers.

Rylant, Cynthia.

\*The Case of the Missing Monkey.

In this “High-Rise Private Eyes” mystery, Bunny and Jack are out to solve the mystery of a missing glass monkey.

\*Henry and Mudge and the Great Grandpas.

Henry and his dog Mudge enjoy a day visiting Great Grandpa Bill and his friends at the home where their busy day includes Henry, his dad and all the great grandpas swimming in the pond in their skivvies!

\*Mr. Putter and Tabby Pour the Tea.

Mr. Putter gets an old cat with creaky bones and thinning fur to keep him company.

\*Poppleton and Friends.

Poppleton finds that his friends help him enjoy a day at the beach, solve a lint mystery and find the answer to a long life.

Scotton, Rob.

\*Splat the Cat with a Bang and a Clang.

Splat the Cat gets a chance to play with his friends in the rock band, Cat Gang.

Sharmat, Marjorie.

\*Nate the Great and the Boring Beach Bag.

When Oliver’s beach bag goes missing, Nate always has his trusty dog, Sludge are on the case.

Silverman, Erica.

\*Cowgirl Kate and Cocoa: School Days.

Cocoa the horse gets upset when Cowgirl Kate goes back to school and makes new friends.

Suen, Anastasia.

Hamster Chase.

When the classroom hamster goes missing, the children must find a way to lure him back to his cage.