

Dear Soon-to-be Fourth Graders,

Reading is the key to success. If you already enjoy books, that is wonderful. If you don't, try to persevere and find a genre or topic you enjoy. Just be careful with summer reading (Don't put it off until August!). The summer assignment list is below. Please have your summer reading projects into class the first day of school. Have an enjoyable summer and come back refreshed.

Please choose 2 chapter books from the following authors:

Phyllis Reynolds Naylor

Bill Wallace

Jon Scieszka

Donald Sobol

Beverly Cleary

R.L. Stine

Andrew Clements

Judy Blume

Gordan Korman

Megan McDonald

Please choose one book from the following list:

Stone Fox by John Reynolds Gardiner

Sarah, Plain and Tall by Patricia MacLachlan

Because of Winn Dixie by Kate DiCamillo

How to Eat Fried Words by Thomas Rockwell

Donavan's Word Jar by Mona Lisa DeGross

Skinnybones by Barbara Park

Which Way Freedom by Joyce Hansen

After reading each book, you may choose a project to do from the next page. Please complete 3 different projects from the list provided. Please use colored pencils or crayons (no markers) for the projects including pictures/drawings. Hopefully you'll enjoy these books and want to read more after the required reading!

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### Project Options:

- 1) Story Sequence- With 5 index cards you will include key events from your book, in order. On the first index card, you will include the title and author. On the other 4, the key events from your book will be in order. You can get creative with this and place them on a strip of paper, include ribbon on it, ect.
- 2) Advertise a book poster- think about what pictures and words you can put on a poster to advertise your book. Include the following:
  1. Title
  2. Author
  3. Several sentences on making others want to read the book
  4. 3 pictures that show interesting parts of the book
- 3) Mobile- create a mobile to hang in the classroom. Build down your mobile. Start with the title and author and setting at the top level. Characters in the middle level and develop the plot at the bottom level. Be sure to put pictures on both sides.
- 4) Book News- (attached form). In the box draw a picture of the most exciting part of the book. Include a caption under the picture. (short sentence telling about the picture) imagine that you are a newspaper reporter and write a short article about the picture and book. Use the questions, who, what, where, when, why.
- 5) Postcard- (attached sheet). Send a postcard about your book. Illustrate your book on the opposite side of the paper. Write a summary in the body of the letter.
- 6) Bookmark- on the front of the bookmark draw a picture that represent the book. On the back include the title and author of the book and several sentences that tell what the book is about. The bookmark should be 9 inches by 3 inches.

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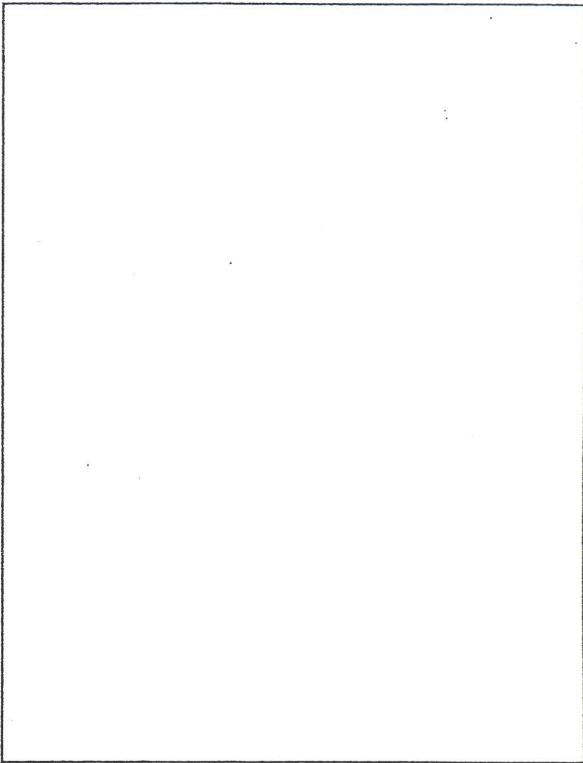
# BOOK NEWS

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