



# Summer Reading Program 2009

Reading during the summer helps students to maintain and strengthen the skills that they've acquired during the school year. If kids get out of the reading habit during summer months, they may fall behind when school begins again in September. We are asking that students read two required books and complete a short assignment before returning to school in the fall. The entire reading list is posted on the school's website [www.independencecharter.org](http://www.independencecharter.org). You may purchase the books if you'd like but are not required to do so. Please consider contacting your local branch of the Free Library of Philadelphia to ask about borrowing the books. You can search for your local branch on the library's website: <http://www.freelibrary.org>. Enjoy!

- Read the assigned required reading books
- Do just one of the assignments (your choice)
- Read LOTS of other books over the summer
- Keep track of your reading on the attached reading log
- The reading log should be signed by a parent each time it is filled out
- Bring the assignment and the reading log to school on Monday September 14<sup>th</sup>.
- Have FUN reading together!

The following books are required summer reading for incoming ICS 3<sup>rd</sup> graders.

*Spanish Enhanced Program Students:*

Magic Tree House - Dinosaurs Before Dark by Mary Pope Osborne  
Horrible Harry Moves Up to Third Grade by Suzy Kline

*Spanish Immersion Program Students:*

Horrible Harry Moves Up to Third Grade por Suzy Kline  
El secreto del sauce por Elena Dreser

## Assignment – Choose One:

- ⚙ Make a poster for either of the books and write about why other kids should read the book you chose.
- ⚙ Write a letter to the main character of your book. You can ask him or her questions, tell him or her about yourself, tell him or her what you thought about the book.
- ⚙ Make a bookmark for the book, Write the title and author on the front, draw a character on the front, and write three sentences telling what the book was about on the back.



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We encourage you to read a great deal over the summer with your children.

Below is a list of **recommended** books that 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> graders readers might enjoy:

TITLE	AUTHOR	TITULO	AUTOR
Cam Jansen Series	Adler	Juan Bobo: Four Folktales	Bernier-Grand
Miss Nelson is Missing	Allard	Auturo escribe un cuento	Brown
Through My Eyes	Bridges	Bizcocho	Capucill
Clarice Bean Series	Child	Ana Tarambana me llamo	Child
Magic School Bus Series	Cole	Clic, clac, muu: vacas escritoras	Cronin
Love That Dog	Creech	Agu Trot	Dahl
Amber Brown Series	Danziger	Abuela	Dorros
Insectlopedia	Florian	Plumas para almorzar	Ehlert
Owen & Mzee	Hatkoff	Bajo la Luna de Limon	Fine
Aunt Flossie's Hats	Howard	Guillermo Jorge Manuel José	Fox
Toys Go Out	Jenkins	Tortillitas Para Mama	Griego
Stink series	McDonald	Adivina cuánto te quiero	McBratney
Judy Moody series	McDonald	Al final de la cometa	Montarde
Across The Alley	Michelson	Manana Iguana	Paul
Amelia Bedelia Series	Parish	El autobus magico series	Relf
Chicken Sunday	Polacco	El Lorax	Seuss
It's Raining Pigs & Noodles	Prelutsky	Un Caso Grave de Reyas	Shannon
Tar Beach	Ringgold	El árbol generoso	Silverstein
Summer Reading is Killing Me	Scieszka	Amos y Boris	Steig
Brothers	Yin	Gurrion del Metro	Torres