



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. 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 14th.
- Have FUN reading together!

The following books are required summer reading for incoming ICS 4th Graders:

Spanish Enhanced Program Students:

The Littles by John Peterson

Amber Brown Goes Fourth by Paula Danziger

Spanish Immersion Program Students:

El dedo magico por Roald Dahl (en espanol)

Amber Brown Goes Fourth by Paula Danziger (in English)

Assignment – Choose One:

- ☼ Pick a character from either of the books and write a letter to the character. Tell the character about yourself. Ask them a few questions. Explain what you thought about what happened in the book.
- ☼ Do a collage/poster showing pictures that relate to the book, and then write a sentence or two for each one to explain why you included that picture.
- ☼ Illustrate your favorite scene from each of the books. For both illustrations, write a sentence or two explaining what you drew and why that scene was your favorite.



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Below is a list of **recommended** books that 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade readers might enjoy:

TITLE	AUTHOR	TITULO	AUTOR
Freckle Juice	Blume	Las tres naranjas de la vida	Amades
Through My Eyes	Bridges	Juan Bobo: Four Folktales	Bernier-Grand
Clarice Bean Series	Child	Jugo de pecas	Blume
Lunch Money	Clements	Auturo escribe un cuento	Brown
Magic School Bus Series	Cole	Bizcocho	Capucill
Miss Rumphius	Cooney	Ana Tarambana me llamo	Child
Love That Dog	Creech	Clic, clac, muu: vacas escritoras	Cronin
Half Magic	Eager	Agu Trot	Dahl
Insectlopedia	Florian	El Superzorro	Dahl
Joey Pigza Swallowed the Key	Gantos	Plumas para almorzar	Ehlert
Toys Go Out	Jenkins	Guillermo Jorge Manuel José	Fox
Diary of a Wimpy Kid	Kinney	Tortillitas Para Mama	Griego
June Bug	Mead	Al final de la cometa	Montarde
Across The Alley	Michelson	La gran Gilly Hopkins	Paterson
It's Raining Pigs & Noodles	Prelutsky	El autobus magico series	Relf
Time Warp Trio series	Scieszka	El Lorax	Seuss
Boy of a Thousand Faces	Selznick	Un Caso Grave de Reyas	Shannon
Bone series	Smith	Donde el camino se corta	Silverstein
Series of Unfortunate Events	Snicket	Amos y Boris	Steig
Brothers	Yin	Gurrion del Metro	Torres