**2nd-3rd Grade Summer Reading List**

**Alvin Ho: Allergic to Girls, School, and Other Scary Things.** Lenore Look. Touching, funny chapter books about a young boy in Concord, Massachusetts, Alvin Ho, who loves superheroes and comes from a long line of brave Chinese farmer-warriors, wants to be courageous, but first he must overcome his fear of everything.

**Bad Guys Series.** Aaron Blabey. These bad guys look like bad guys, sound like bad guys, and even smell like bad guys but together, they decide it’s time to improve their status by going good. Blabey is a master at understanding what makes kids laugh and this series can be the key for turning an early or reluctant reader into a bookworm — eagerly anticipating the next book.

**Dear Max.** Sally Grindley. Max develops a friendship with his favorite author through the lost art of letter writing. The two give each other advice about writing, friendship and life in this touching story.

**Dragon Masters Book Series.** Tracey West. Drake, an 8-year-old, is to be trained as a Dragon Master. The Dragon Masters must learn how to connect with and train their dragons--and they must also uncover their dragons' special powers. Does Drake have what it takes to be a Dragon Master?

**Geronimo Stilton Series.** Geronimo Stilton. Although mouse-journalist Geronimo runs a newspaper on Mouse Island, his true passion is writing exciting, fun-filled tales of adventure, which he gladly shares with his readers.

**My Big Fat Zombie Goldfish Series.** Mo O'Hara. When Tom's big brother decides to become an evil scientist, his first experiment was on Tom's goldfish Frankie. To save save Frankie, Tom zaps him with a battery to bring him back to life, but something is weird about the new Frankie.

**My Father's Dragon.** Ruth Stiles Gannett. A young boy determines to rescue a poor baby dragon who is being used by a group of lazy wild animals to ferry them across the river on Wild Island.

**Nathan Hale's Hazardous Tales Series.** Natahan Hale. Hazardous Tales offers weird and wild anecdotes from American history in a dynamic, nonfiction-graphic-novel format.

**The One and Only Ivan. Katherine Applegate.** When Ivan, a gorilla who has lived for years in a down-and-out circus-themed mall, meets Ruby, a baby elephant that has been added to the mall, he decides that he must find her a better life.

**Princess Pulverizer Series.** Nancy Krulik. Meet the princess who'd rather wear a suit of armor than a crown! Princess Serena doesn't want to be a princess–she wants to be knight—but she still has a lot to learn when it comes to exhibiting valiant behavior.

**Sideways stories from Wayside School.** Louis Sachar. Unusual things happen in the classroom on the thirtieth floor of Wayside School, which was accidentally built sideways with one classroom on each story.

**Stink: The Incredible Shrinking Kid.** Megan McDonald. First seen in the Judy Moody series, Stink finally gets a chance to shine on his own. His funny misaps are accompanied by a series of comic strips, which make the stories that much more fun for young readers.

**Thea Stilton Series.** Geronimo Stilton. Rodent journalist Thea Stilton is invited to teach a journalism class at the prestigious Mouseford Academy where she meets five amazing students who assist her in solving a slew of mysteries.

**Who Would Win Series.** Jerry Pallotta. Discover which creature reigns supreme. The collection features reptiles, mammals, sea creatures, dinosaurs, and more as they go head to head in battle.