

Four Stars for Summer Reading!

Over the summer, please pick from the following list of books. Each book is assigned a value (1-star, 2-stars, 3-stars, or 4-stars). You must read books that give you a total value of at least four stars. You can do this by reading one four star book or a combination of one, two, and three star books (ex. four 1-star books, two 1-star books and a 2-star book, two 2-star books). After each book you read, please create a post-reading report (explained at the bottom). You are only required to read 4-stars worth of books.

1-Star Books

Diary of a Wimpy Kid by Jeff Kinney (any book in the series)

Lawn Boy by Gary Paulsen

Chocolate Fever by Robert Kimmel Smith

Dork Diaries by Rachel R. Russel (any book in the series)

Smile by Raina Telgemeier

I Survived by Lauren Tarshis (any book in the series)

Shh! We're Writing The Constitution by Jean Fritz

2-Star Books

Matilda, The BFG, or James and the Giant Peach by Roald Dahl (or any Roald Dahl book)

The Magician's Elephant by Kate DiCamillo

It's Raining Cupcakes by Lisa Schroeder

A Series of Unfortunate Events by Lemony Snicket (any book in the series)

No Talking or The School Story by Andrew Clements

The Lemonade War by Jacqueline Davies

Dolphin Tale: The Junior Novel by Gabrielle Reyes

First Kids: The True Story of All the Presidents' Children by Noah McCullough

3-Star Books

Percy Jackson and the Olympians by Rick Riordan (any book in the series)

Tuesdays at the Castle by Jessica Day George

Little Women by Louisa May Alcott

Theodore Boone: Kid Lawyer by John Grisham (any book in the series)

Hatchet by Gary Paulsen

The Chronicles of Narnia by C. S. Lewis (any book in the series)

One Crazy Summer by Rita Williams Garcia

Hoot by Carl Hiaasen

Kingdom Keepers by Ridley Pearson

Heat by Mike Lupica

10 Days: Benjamin Franklin by David Colbert

4-Star Books

Artemis Fowl by Eoin Colfer (any book in the series)

Harry Potter by J.K. Rowling (any book in the series)

Pegasus by Kate O'Hearn (any book in the series)

Savvy by Ingrid Law

Wonder by R.J. Palacio

After reading...

Please use complete sentences and type (or write in cursive and in black or blue pen) the answer to the following questions:

1. What was the title of your book?
2. Who was the author of your book?
3. What was your book about? (Include main character(s), where the book took place, what the main problem/idea was, and how the book was resolved.)
4. What was your favorite part of the book and why?
5. Would you recommend this book to someone else? Why or why not?

Please complete this report **for each book read** (up to 4 stars)!

Reports should be stapled together and handed to the teacher by the end of the first week of school.

They will be graded on the following criteria:

1. Were the reports handed in on time?
2. Did the student answer each question with full sentences?
3. Did the student give thoughtful explanations on questions 4 and 5?
4. Were the reports neat (with all directions followed)?