## Recommended Summer Reading List Upcoming Kindergarteners

<u>Title</u> <u>Author</u>

ABC I Like Me Carlson, Nancy

Alphabetical feel good words to help boost self-esteem.

Across the Stream Ginsburg, Mirra

A hen and her chicks find a way with the help of some ducklings to put their bad  $% \left( 1\right) =\left( 1\right) +\left( 1\right) +\left$ 

dreams behind them.

Alphabet Under Construction Fleming, Denise

Colorful language with an introduction to the ABC's.

Baseball Hour Nevius, Carol

Detailed illustrations that look like photo images of karate class.

Bats at the Beach Lies, Brian

What do bats do when the sun goes down? They get a moon-tan of course.

Bats at the Library Lies, Brian

Bats explore the library with wonderful imaginative illustrations about the night time creatures.

Bear at Home Blackstone, Stella

A fun introduction to things around the house.

Bear in a Square Blackstone, Stella

A rhyming concept book with bear and shapes.

Beavers Hall, Margaret

A nonfiction book about beavers and where they live.

Beetle Bop Fleming, Denise

All sorts of beetles; striped beetles, spotted beetles, all over dotted beetles, and all in rhyme.

Belinda the Ballerina Young, Amy

Belinda has two problems; her right foot and her left foot. Will she overcome her big-footed obstacle to become a ballerina?

Birds Henkes, Kevin

A soaring tribute to our flying friends with beautiful illustrations to match.

Biscuit (followed by others in the Biscuit series) Capucilli, Alyssa Satin

A playful puppy that makes the perfect companion for beginning readers.

Biscuit's Picnic Capucilli, Alyssa Satin

The playful puppy on his picnic adventures.

Biscuit Goes to School Capucilli, Alyssa Satin

The playful puppy on his adventures at school.

Biscuit's New Trick Capucilli, Alyssa Satin

The playful puppy learns a new trick.

Boomer Goes to School McGeorge, Constance

Boomer the dog has an adventure at school.

Bootsie Barker Bites Bottner, Barbara

Bootsie Barker is quite a nuisance and a bother.

Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What do you See? Martin, Jr., Bill

A children's classic with an unforgettable beat.

Bunny Cakes Wells, Rosemary

Max and Ruby make the prefect cakes for grandmother's birthday.

Caps for Sale Slododkina, Esphyr

A peddler tries to outwit a band of monkeys.

Chewy Louie Schneider, Howie

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Will the new dog Louie be banished from the family for all his chewing?

Chicka, Chicka, Boom, Boom Martin, Jr., Bill

Find all the letters as they dance up the coconut tree.

Chicken Little Emberley, Rebecca & Ed

A new updated version of an old favorite.

Color Zoo Ehlert, Lois

Animals in various colors to help children learn colors.

Corduroy Freeman, Don

A stuff bear waits to find a home.

Count Fleming, Denise

Counting can be fun with zebras, crocodiles and kangaroos.

David Gets in Trouble Shannon, David

A mischievous David finds himself in the corner for time out.

David Goes to School Shannon, David

David gets into trouble and has to stay after school.

Dinosaurs, Dinosaurs Barton, Byron

An introduction to dinosaurs with brilliant colors and simplistic language with just enough facts to capture the young readers' attention. End pages feature different kinds of dinosaurs and their names.

Dog and Bear: Two Friends-Three Stories Seegar, Laura Vaccaro

A endearing storyline between dog and bear shows the everyday happenings between friends.

Dog Eared Harvey, Amanda

A large dog with floppy ears gets insulted but learns that love is all that matters.

Duck on a Bike Shannon, David

Farm animals stare in awe at the wonderful bikes parked in their midst. Can animals really ride?

Every Friday Yaccarino, Dan

Sometimes kids just need Daddy time. Every Friday explores a special bond between father and son as they enjoy breakfast together every Friday.

Firefighters A-Z Demarest, Chris

Paying tribute to firefighters in a wonderfully illustrated ABC format.

First the Egg Seegar, Laura Vaccaro

A Caldecott winning book that features intricate cutouts which illustrate sequence to the young reader.

Fish Eyes Ehlert, Lois

An imaginative counting book.

Flora's Blanket Gliori, Debi

Flora has lost her beloved blanket and can't sleep without it.

Get Up and Go Carlson, Nancy

A heart healthy book showing that exercise can be good for you and fun too.

Giraffes Ipcizade, Catherine

Take a look at giraffes, where they live and how they grow.

Go Away Big Green Monster Emberley, Ed

Readers meet a big green monster one page at a time, and then he vanishes as quickly as he came.

Googles Keats, Ezra Jack

The beloved characters of Peter and Willie outsmart the big boys and retain the cool googles that they have found.

Good Night, Good Knight Thomas, Shelley Moore

The Good Knight refuses to go to bed when there are too many adventures to be had with an active imagination.

Grandfather Buffalo Arnosky, Jim

Grandfather Buffalo is old and he is slow, but he is still useful when a new calf is born.

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Harry the Dirty Dog Zion, Gene

Harry is a white dog with black spots who loves everything.

Honk, Honk, Goose! Sayre, April Pulley

Follow two Canadian geese through their journey to having a family. Weaving facts about geese from nest building to protecting the eggs into a storybook format.

How Do Dinosaurs Say Good Night? Yolen, Jane

Large oversized dinosaurs feature different ways to say good night.

I Ain't Gonna Paint No More Beaumont, Karen

A joyous celebration of rhyme, repetition, color and humor all rolled into one!

I Don't Like Gloria Umansky, Kaye

Everything is well with Calvin the dog until Gloria the cat becomes part of the family.

I Don't Like to Read Carlson, Nancy

A book that helps kids understand that it's OK when reading is hard and how you can work through it. Great for beginning readers that struggle.

I Love School Sturges, Philemon

An introduction to school for the youngest reader.

I Love Tools Sturges, Philemon

An introduction to various kinds of tools for the youngest reader. Little readers will love discovering tools on the end pages.

Inch by Inch Lioni, Leo

Follow an inch worm as he inches his way far away from a bird that wants to eat him.

It's Not My Fault Carlson, Nancy

A kindergarten point of view of how it's never my fault.

Joseph Had a Little Overcoat Taback, Simms

Vivid illustrations with cut outs that demonstrate how things can be used again and again.

Karate Hour Nevius, Carol

Beautiful photo like illustrations take us to karate class and what takes place. The story is in rhyme.

King Bidgood's in the Bathtub Wood, Audrey

King Bidgood is in the bathtub and he won't get out!

Kiss Good Night Hest, Amy

Mrs. Bear puts Sam to bed with bedtime rituals.

Kitten's First Full Moon Henkes, Kevin

A picture book about a kitten, the moon, and a bowl of milk.

Knufflebunny (followed by others in the series) Willems, Mo

Mo Willems captures childhood and the perfect example of what it's like to be a toddler.

Knufflebunny Too Willems, Mo

Knufflebunny returns and takes a trip to school where there's a mix-up.

Lemons Are Not Red Seegar, Laura Vaccaro

Vibrant illustrations that feature clever cut outs that teach color in an unusual way.

Library Mouse Kirk, Daniel

There's a mouse who sleeps in the library and decides to become an author.

The Little Mouse, the Red Ripe Strawberry and

the Big Hungry Bear Wood, Don and Audrey

Little Mouse worries that the big, hungry bear will take his freshly picked, ripe, red strawberry for himself.

Llama, Llama, Mad at Mama Dewdney, Anna

Little Llama has a fit in the grocery store.

Llama, Llama, Misses Mama Dewdney, Anna

Little Llama misses Mama and is not happy.

Llama, Llama, Red Pajama Dewdney, Anna

Little Llama is not always ready for bed.

Lots and Lots of Zebra Stripes Swinburne, Steve

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A look at patterns all around us.

Lunch Fleming, Denise

A simple look at foods and the colors that mouse loves.

Magic Hat, The Fox, Mem

The magic hat bounces from animal to animal in a catchy rhyme.

Max's Words Banks, Kate

Max decides that he wants to collect things like his brothers. He decides to collect words and soon

a story takes shape.

Mutt Dog King, Stephen Michael

Mutt Dog doesn't belong to anybody. Will he ever find a home?

My Lucky Day Kasza, Keiko

A clever pig tricks fox into a back rub among other things.

My Soccer Book Gibbons, Gail

A simple look at the game of soccer, the rules and how to play.

Not a Box Portis, Antoinette

Playing with a box is always fun, but is it really a box?

Officer Buckle and Gloria Rathman, Peggy

A comical book about Gloria, and her visits to schools to teach about safety.

Oodles of Animals Ehlert, Lois

Bright illustrations with oodles of animal poems.

Old Bear Henkes, Kevin

Follow old bear as he sleeps and eats through the seasons.

One is a Snail Ten is a Crab Sayre, April Pulley

A fun introduction to numbers by counting feet.

Over in the Garden Ward, Jennifer

The traditional rhyme to Over in the Meadow with a lovely setting of the garden.

Over in the Meadow Keats, Ezra Jack

The traditional song paired with illustrations from Ezra Jack Keats is sure to be a classic.

Owen Henkes, Kevin

Owen is very fond of his blanket. Will he ever give it up?

Owl Babies Waddell, Martin

Three worried owlets wait for their mother to return.

Ox-Cart Man Hall, Donald

A man loads his cart with wares to sell in town and returns home to his family where the seasonal work begins anew. A book which celebrates a simpler time and place.

Panda Bear, Panda Bear, What Do You See? Martin, Jr., Bill

A look at endangered animals with classic Eric Carle illustrations that will appeal to young children.

Red Riding Hood Marshall, James

Retelling of the old tale.

Pet the Cat: I Love My White Shoes Litwin, Eric

Pet goes on a walk finding different colored foods and objects.

Peter's Chair Keats, Ezra Jack

Peter is a bit jealous of his new baby sister and doesn't like it when Dad wants to paint his chair pink.

Pigs Rock! Jones, Melanie Davis

Pigs have an accident on the way to their concert. Will they make it in time to sing for their adoring fans? Catchy beat all in rhyme.

Raise the Roof Suen, Anastasia

A how to book on building a house that kids will be sure to like. Catchy verse with rhyme.

Rooster Can't Cock-a-doodle-do Gruber, Karen Rostoker

Rooster wakes up with a sore throat. Who will wake the Farmer up?

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Rosie's Walk Hutchins, Pat

Rosie the hen takes a walk with the fox following close behind. The hen is oblivious to the fox.

Silly Suzy Goose Horacek, Petr

Silly Suzy Goose wants to be like all the other animals.

Sleep Black Bear Sleep Yolen, Jane

A night time read, that visits all the animals as they prepare for bed in a gentle soothing rhyme.

Snowy Day, The Keats, Ezra Jack

A small moment with the wonder of snow.

Somebody and the Three Bears Tolhurst, Marilyn

The three bears with a twist. The Blairs go for a walk and somebody invades their home.

Somewhere in the Ocean Ward, Jennifer

Vivid illustrations with an ocean setting to the familiar over in the meadow song.

The Carrot Seed Krauss, Ruth

A young boy plants a carrot seed.

The Three Billy Goats Gruff Galdone, Paul

Three brother billy goats who dare to cross the hideous troll's bridge.

The Three Bears Barton, Byron

A classic folktale that even the very young can read.

Time to Sleep Fleming, Denise

When animals get ready to hibernate, what do they do?

To Market, To Market Miranda, Anne

Laugh out loud illustrations set to a familiar but new nursery rhyme.

Traction Man is Here Grey, Mini

An imaginative adventure with unusual action figures.

Trashy Town Zimmerman, Andrea

A repetitive stanza with a catchy beat about Mr. Gilly, the trash man.

Way Out in the Desert Marsh, T. J.

A spin off of Over in the Meadow but with a desert twist. Kids will love finding hidden numbers in the desert.

Welcome to Kindergarten Rockwell, Anne

A wash of primary colors introduces kindergarten through the eyes of a child.

What Do You Do with a Tail Like This?

Jenkins, Steve

Beautiful collage cut outs about unusual animals and their tails, noses and other body parts.

What Teachers Can't Do Wood, Douglas

Is there anything teachers can't do?

When Sophie Gets Angry-Really Really Angry Bang, Molly

A lesson in self control that even the youngest child can understand.

Where the Wild Things Are Sendak, Maurice

When Max is sent to his room for time out he takes a journey into a marvelous adventure.

Wing on a Flea, The Emberley, Ed

The master of drawing books creates a shape book loaded with colors and rhymes.