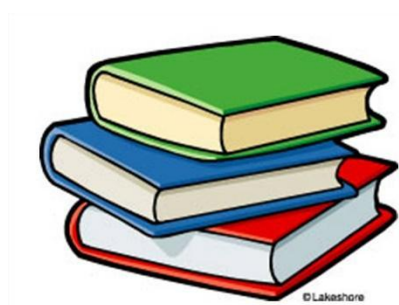


**Macon East Academy  
Lower School  
Summer Reading  
2026**



## Summer Reading for Students entering K-5

A note of caution about the early reader books-please do not expect your child to be able to read these books independently. Use the following list of suggested authors and titles to select books that appeal to your child. As you share these selections with your child, encourage your reader to participate as they are able. Repetition and rhythm are great ways to encourage your reader to participate in the stories you are reading. Read at least 15 of these books and record them on the attached reading log. This reading log will be turned in on the first week of school and counted as a reading grade for the first nine weeks.

### Suggested Authors and Series

Biscuit series by Alyssa Capucilli

Pete the Cat series by Kimberly and James Dean

Fancy Nancy series by Jane O'Connor

Brownie & Pearl series by Cynthia Rylant

If You Give A . . . books by Laura J. Numeroff

Frog and Toad books by Arnold Lobel

### Suggested Titles

Green Eggs and Ham by Dr. Seuss

The Cat in the Hat by Dr. Seuss

Corduroy by Don Freeman

Click Clack Moo: Cows that Type by Doreen Cronin

Caps for Sale by Esphyr Slobodkina

A Bad Case of the Stripes by David Shannon

Kitten's First Full Moon by Kevin Henkes

A Tree Is Nice by Marc Simont

Olivia by Ian Falconer

Officer Buckle and Gloria by Peggy Rathman

No David by David Shannon

Splat the Cat by Rob Scotton

Joseph Had a Little Overcoat by Simms Taback

Where the Wild Things Are by Maurice Sendak

\*\*\*Please do not read the following books. They will be read together in class this year.

Elephant & Piggie series by Mo Willems

Pigeon book series by Mo Willems

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## Summer Reading for students entering First Grade

The goal of the first grade summer reading program is primarily to foster a love of reading. As you and your child explore some of the suggestions below, please encourage your young reader to identify sight words, use expression when reading, and answer questions about the story. Feel free to visit your local libraries and bookstores to find more picture books that interest your child. Below is a list of suggested series and titles to help you get started. Read at least 20 books and record them on the attached reading log. The reading log will be turned in the first week of school for a major reading grade.

### Suggested Titles and Series

Penny stories by Kevin Henkes

Henry & Mudge series by Cynthia Rylant

Charlie the Ranch Dog series by Ree Drummond

Frog & Toad series by Arnold Lobel

Fly Guy series by Ted Arnold

Mercy Watson series by Kate DiCamillo

Pete the Cat series by Kimberly & James Dean

Biscuit books by Alyssa Capucilli

The Relatives Came by Cynthia Rylant

Miss Rumphius by Barbara Cooney

Strega Nona by Tomie de Paola

The True Story of the Three Little Pigs by John Scieszka

Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse by Kevin Henkes

Owl Moon by Jane Yolen

Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs by Judi and Ron Barrett

Alexander and the Terrible, No Good, Very Bad Day by Judith Viorst

Scooby Doo! Readers by Gail Herman

Pup & Hound series by Susan Hood

Pinky & Rex series by James Howe

Cat in the Hat (& others) by Dr. Seuss

Young Amber Brown series by Pala Danziger

Fancy Nancy "I Can Read" series by Jane O'Connor

Clifford series by Norman Bridwell

Brownie & Pearl books by Cynthia Rylant

Eric Carle books

Make Way for Ducklings by Robert McCloskey

Swimmy by Leo Lionni

The Little Engine that Could by Wally Piper

Eloise by Kay Thompson

The Day the Crayons Quit by Drew Daywalt

The Day the Crayons Came Home by Drew Daywalt

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## Summer Reading for students entering Second Grade

Each student entering second grade will be required to read 10 picture books and 2 chapter books. Below is a list to help in the choosing of those books. Record each book read on the attached reading log. This reading log will be turned in on the first day of school and counted as a major test grade for the first nine weeks.

### Suggested Authors

David A Adler	Kate McMullan
Stan and Jan Berenstain	Mary Pope Osborne
Paulette Bourgeois	Peggy Parish
Marc Brown	Barbara Park
Eve Bunting	Phyllis Root
Denys Cazet	Cynthia Rylant
Kevin Henkes	Dr. Seuss
Syd Hoff	James Stevenson
Jennifer Jacobson	Jean Van Leeuwen
Arnold Lobel	Rosemary Wells
Jonathan London	Audrey Wood
James Marshall	Rebecca Elliot

**\*\*\*Please do not read the following books. They will be read together in class this year.**

Grasshopper Magic by Lynne Jonell

Chocolate Touch by Patrick Skene Catling

Nancy Drew and the Valentine's Day Secret by Carolyn Keene

A Turkey for Thanksgiving by Eve Bunting

Lions at Lunchtime by Mary Pope Osborne

The Candy Corn Contest by Patricia Reilly Giff

Nancy Drew and the Case of the Sneaky Snowman by Carolyn Keene

Commander in Cheese-The Big Move by Lindsey Leavitt

Jigsaw Jones: Case of the Missing Mummy Mystery by James Preller

The Biggest Christmas Tree Ever by Steen Kroll

The Night Before Valentine's Day by Natasha Wing

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# Summer Reading Assignments 2026

## 3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Grades

All Students: Read the assigned book for your grade level. Be prepared to take a written test and the AR test for your required book during the first full week of school.

3<sup>rd</sup> Grade: Third Grade Angels by Jerry Spinelli

4<sup>th</sup> Grade: Charlotte's Web by E.B. White

5<sup>th</sup> Grade: No Talking by Andrew Clements

6<sup>th</sup> Grade: Restart by Gordon Korman

Although only one book is assigned, students are encouraged to read throughout the summer. Encourage your student to read for pleasure regularly during the summer months in order to maintain and advance their reading levels.

Contact Librarian, Leigh Desmarais, with questions – [ldesmarais@maconeast.net](mailto:ldesmarais@maconeast.net)

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