

Selwyn Favorite Books/Series

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Hi Selwyn Families,

Are you looking for some great books for summer reading and to use for Red Ribbon Reading? The titles below are currently some of the most popular ones being read at Selwyn. There are also additional suggestions at the end of the list. Although the list is broken down by “grade spans” families should use their discretion as reading levels of students vary. Look for these books at the public library, on SORA, EPIC, or your favorite bookstore.

Kindergarten and First Grade

Elephant and Piggie series by Mo Willems

Humphrey’s Tiny Tales series by Betty Birney

Judy Moody and Friends by Megan McDonald

King and Kayla series by Dori Butler

Mercy Watson series by Kate DiCamillo

Sofia Martinez series by Jacqueline Jules

Second and Third Grade

Ball Park Mysteries series by David A. Kelly

Boxcar Children Mystery series by Gertrude Chandler Warner

Calendar Mysteries series by Ron Roy

Clementine series by Sarah Pennypacker

Humphrey series by Betty Birney

Jake Maddox Sports series (various titles)

Judy Moody series by Megan McDonald

Magic Treehouse series by Mary Pope Osborne

Owl Diaries by Rebecca Elliott

Stink series by Megan McDonald

Unicorn Diaries by Rebecca Elliott

Who Would Win series by Jerry Pallotta

Who Was, What Was, Where Is, etc. series by various authors

Fourth and Fifth Grade

Babysitters Club Graphic Novels by Ann M. Martin (and other supporting authors)

City of Ember series by Jeanne DuPrau

Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library series by Chris Grabenstein

I Survived series by Lauren Tarshis

Imaginary Veterinary series by Suzanne Selfors

Keeper of the Lost Cities series by Shannon Messenger

Land of Stories series by Chris Colfer

Last Kids on Earth series by Max Brallier

The Last Musketeer series by Stuart Gibbs

Serafina series by Robert Beatty

Spy School series by Stuart Gibb

Who Was, What Was, Where Is, etc. series by various authors

Books by author Andrew Clements (he has a wide variety of titles)

Magic Theme Titles

The Magic Misfits by Neil Patrick Harris

Humphrey's Mixed-Up Magic Trick by Betty Birney

Night of the New Magicians by Mary Pope Osborne

Who Was Harry Houdini? by Tui Sutherland

Magic Tricks from the Treehouse by Mary Pope Osborne and Natalie Pope Boyce

The Name of this Book is Secret by Pseudonymous Bosch

The website "Imagination Soup" (www.imaginationsoup.net) has a wide range of suggested titles by grade level and topic. It takes a little exploring and navigating but has lots of good suggestions and descriptions of various books for all ages.

SORA is a wonderful resource that allows Selwyn families to access literally thousands of FREE electronic and audiobooks from CMS Schools, The Public Library of Charlotte and Mecklenburg County, and the North Carolina Digital Kids Library. You can use SORA on a desktop, laptop, tablet, or cell phone. Audiobooks are an especially fun choice which allow you to listen while traveling. See Ms. Bailey's Media Center page on the Selwyn Elementary website for detailed instructions on everything SORA! You can also find "Reading Response" forms on this website such as "Reading Bingo" and mini book report forms to support your reading. Happy Reading!