



Summer Reading List for Students Entering Grade 3

Call Number	Title and Author
SUMMER READING	* Abdul's Story by Jamilah Thompkins-Bigelow
SUMMER READING	* Ablaze With Color by Jeanne Walker Harvey
SUMMER READING	* All the Way to the Top by Annette Bay Pimentel
SUMMER READING	Bear Goes Sugaring by Maxwell Eaton III
SUMMER READING	Big Foot and Little Foot by Ellen Potter
SUMMER READING	CatStronauts (series) by Drew Brockington
& J BROCKINGTON/GRAPHIC	
SUMMER READING	* Cornbread & Poppy (series) by Matthew Cordell
& J COR/BL2	
SUMMER READING	Crossings by Katy S. Duffield
SUMMER READING	* Dear Earth...From Your Friends in Room 5 by Erin Dealey
SUMMER READING	Digging for Words by Angela Burke Kunkel
J CHABERT	Eerie Elementary (series) by Jack Chabert
SUMMER READING	Facts vs. Opinions vs. Robots by Michael Rex
J REX/GRAPHIC	Fangbone (series) by Michael Rex
J 590 KEATING	Gross as a Snot Otter by Jess Keating
SUMMER READING	* How to Find a Fox by Kate Gardner
SUMMER READING	In a Jar by Deborah Marcero
SUMMER READING	InvestiGATORS (series) by John Patrick Green
& J GREEN/GRAPHIC	<i>(2022 Nutmeg winner)</i>
SUMMER READING	* It Fell From the Sky by Terry and Eric Fan
SUMMER READING	Jasmine Toguchi, Mochi Queen by Debbi Florence
SUMMER READING	Just Ask: Be Different, Be Brave, Be You by Sonia Sotomayor
SUMMER READING	King of the Birds by Elise Gravel
SUMMER READING	Let Liberty Rise! by Chana Stiefel
SUMMER READING	Little Leaders: Bold Women in Black History by Vashti Harrison
SUMMER READING	Meet Yasmin (series) by Saada Faruqi
& J FARUQI	
SUMMER READING	Megabat (series) by Anna Humphrey
& J HUMPHREY	
SUMMER READING	* Mellybean and the Giant Monster by Mike White
J LEE	<i>(2024 Nutmeg winner)</i>
SUMMER READING	Mindy Kim (series) by Lyla Lee
	Mr. Summerling's Secret Code by Dori Hillestad Butler

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Our Friend Hedgehog: The Story of Us by
Lauren Castillo

Over and Under series by Kate Messner

Peace by Baptiste Paul and Miranda Paul

Princess in Black (series) by Shannon Hale

Salma the Syrian Chef by Danny Ramadan

Seeds Move by Robin Page

***Sir Ladybug** by Corey R. Tabor

Snail Crossing by Corey R. Tabor

Someone Builds the Dream by Lisa Wheeler

***Sugar in Milk** by Trinity Umrigar

The Barnabus Project by The Fan Brothers

(2023 COCBA winner)

***The Elephants Come Home** by Kim Tomsic

***The Fastest Girl on Earth! Meet Kitty O'Neil,**

Daredevil Driver! by Dean Robbins

The Floating Field: How a Group of Thai Boys Built

Their Own Soccer Field* by Scott Riley

The Kindest Red: A Story of Hijab and Friendship

by Ibtihaj Muhammad

***The Little Wooden Robot and the Log Princess**

by Tom Gauld

The Lulu Collection by Judith Viorst & Kevin Cornell

The Proudest Blue: A Story of Hijab and Family

by Ibtihaj Muhammad

Tiny Creatures by Nicola Davies

We are Water Protectors by Carole Lindstrom

***Wind Riders: Rescue on Turtle Beach** by Jen Marlin

Zoey and Sassafras (series) by Asia Citro

*2024 Elementary Nutmeg nominee

Charter Oak Children's Book Award (COCBA) 2024

Apple and Magnolia by Laura Gehl and Paricia Metola
I'm Not Missing by Kshelle Gourley and Skylar Hogan
The Green Piano by Roberta Flack, Tonya Bolden, and Hayden Goodman
The Perfect Plan by Leah Gilbert
The Tide Pool Waits by Candace Fleming and Amy Hevron
The Umbrella by Beth Ferry and Tom Lichtenheld
To Change a Planet by Christina Soontornvat and Rahele Jomepour Bell
Wombats are Pretty Weird by Abi Cushman

2025 ELEMENTARY NUTMEG NOMINEES

(Grades 2-3)

Anglerfish: The Seadevil of the Deep by Elaine Alexander, art by Fiona Fogg
Aven Green, Sleuthing Machine by Dusti Bowling
Batcat by Meggie Ramm
The Best of Iggy by Annie Barrows, art by Kevan Atteberry
Big Truck, Little Island by Chris Van Dusen
Dear Beast by Dori Hillestad Butler
Ducks Overboard!: A True Story of Plastic in our Oceans by Markus Motum
Evergreen by Matthew Cordell
Everything in it's Place by Pauline David-Sax, art by Charnell Pinkney Barlow
Fauja Singh Keeps Going by Simran Jeet Singh, art by Baljinder Kaur
The Great Stink by Colleen Paeff, art by Nancy Carpenter
My Two Border Towns by David Bowles, art by Erika Meza
The Sweetest Scoop by Lisa Robinson, art by Stacy Innerst
Wombats! Go Camping by Maddie Frost
Yoshi's Big Swim: One Turtle's Epic Journey Home by Mary Wagley Copp, art by Kaja Kajfez