



GRADE 3 SUMMER READING

Make the summer fun with books! This list is recommended for students entering Grade 3. Let these books serve as inspiration for you and your child. Spend some time together at your local bookstore and library and see what strikes your fancy. Encourage your child to choose his or her own books and watch how quickly they become engaged!

GET YOUR BOOKS

The library is the place to be this summer! Brooklyn Public Library locations can be found at www.bklynlibrary.org. If you choose to purchase books, Greenlight Bookstore in Fort Greene or Prospect Lefferts Gardens is a good local and independent source. Visit www.greenlightbookstore.com/northside to see all summer reading titles -- you can shop online and then pick up your purchase at the bookstore, or have it shipped to you. As our bookstore partner, Greenlight donates a percentage of all online sales of summer reading titles back to the school to help fill our library shelves! Make sure to mention "Northside" in the order comments when checking out online. You can visit the Fort Greene location at 686 Fulton Street or online at greenlightbookstore.com.



REQUIRED TEXTS

Night Flight by Robert Burleigh

An account of Amelia Earhart's dangerous 1932 flight across the Atlantic Ocean from Newfoundland to Ireland, in which she survived bad weather and a malfunctioning airplane.

The Boy Who Loved Math by Deborah Heiligman

An introduction to the unconventional life of the eminent mathematician describes the phenomenal math talents he demonstrated from an early age while revealing how he was often stymied by everyday tasks.

Two for Joy by Gigi Amateau

When their beloved and very independent great aunt comes to live with them after an accident, 8-year-old Jenna and her mother struggle to keep the peace and adjust to changing family dynamics

Smashie McPterter and the Mystery of Room 11 by N Griffin

Who stole the hamster from Room 11? A once-happy class is set on edge in this humorous, highly relatable mystery.

BIOGRAPHY

The Quest for Z by Greg Pizzoli

British explorer Percy Fawcett believed that hidden deep within the Amazon rainforest was an ancient city, lost for the ages. Most people didn't even believe this city existed. But if Fawcett could find it, he would be rich and famous forever. This is the true story of one man's thrilling, dangerous journey into the jungle, and what he found on his quest for the lost city of Z.

Becoming Bach by Thomas Leonard

For Johann Sebastian there was always music. As he grew, he saw patterns in everything. Patterns he would turn into melodies and song, eventually growing into one of the most important and celebrated musical composers of all time.

A Boy and a Jaguar by Alan Rabinowitz

The renowned cat conservationist reflects on his early childhood struggles with a speech disorder, describing how he only spoke fluently when he was communicating with animals and how he resolved at a young age to find his voice to be their advocate.

Ei Deafo by Cece Bell

Going to school and making new friends can be tough. But going to school and making new friends while wearing a bulky hearing aid strapped to your chest? That requires superpowers!

SPANISH LANGUAGE

Chica Chica 1, 2, 3 by Bill Martin Jr

Nos Salta y Brinca by Ellen Stoll Walsh

GRAPHIC NOVELS & COMPLEX PICTURE BOOKS

King of Kazoo by Norman Feuti

Something's stirring at the top of Mount Kazoo, and King Cornelius and his daughter Bing are going to get to the bottom of it!

Written and Drawn by Henrietta by Liniers

When Henrietta's mother gives her a box of colored pencils, she sets out to draw a terrifying and fantastic adventure

The Bluebird's Palace by Oriane Lallemand

Inspired by the Russian storytelling tradition, this is a contemporary fairy tale about a relatable heroine's inner transformation from materialism to gratefulness.

CHAPTER BOOKS

Jasmin Toguchi, Mochi Queen by Debbi Michiko Florence

The first book in a new chapter book series featuring a spunky Japanese-American heroine. Eight-year-old Jasmine Toguchi is a flamingo fan, tree climber, and top-notch mess-maker!

Juana and Lucas by Juana Medina

A spunky young girl from Colombia loves playing with her canine best friend and resists boring school activities, especially learning English, until her family tells her that a special trip is planned to an English-speaking place.