Marple Newtown School District
2016   Elementary Schools
Required Summer Reading List

**Fiction books are in order of increasing difficulty. The student is required to read one fiction and one nonfiction selection.**

**Entering Grade 2:**

**Fiction:**  
*Froggy* series, by Jonathan London (any in series)  
*Cork and Fuzz*, by Dori Chaconas (any in series)  
*Pinky & Rex*, by James Howe (any in series)

**Non-Fiction:** Any nonfiction book about an animal

**PA Core Challenge (optional):**  
*The Story of Ferdinand*, by Munro Leaf  
*Little Bear*, by Else Holmelund Minarik (any in the series)

**Entering Grade 3:**

**Fiction:**  
*A to Z Mysteries*, by Ron Roy (any in series)  
*Alvin Ho: Allergic to Girls*, by Lenore Look (any in series)  
*I Survived….*, by Lauren Tarasik (any in the series)

**Non-Fiction:** Any biography

**PA Core Challenge (optional):**  
*Catwings*, by Ursula Le Guin  
*Charlotte’s Web*, by E.B. White  
*The Hundred Dresses*, by Eleanor Estes

**Entering Grade 4:**

**Fiction:**  
*The World According to Humphrey*, by Betty G. Birney  
*My Life as a Book*, by Janet Tashjian  
*Bridge To Terabithia*, by Katherine Paterson

**Non-Fiction:** Any nonfiction book about a state

**PA Core Challenge (optional):**  
*The Trumpet of the Swan*, by E.B. White  
*The Borrowers*, by Mary Norton  
*Poppy*, by Avi

**Entering Grade 5:**

**Fiction:**  
*Because of Mr. Terupt*, by Rob Buyea  
*Jake and Lily*, by Jerry Spinelli  
*The Name of This Book is Secret*, (any in series) by Pseudonymous Bosch

**Non-Fiction:** Any nonfiction book about an explorer

**PA Core Challenge (optional):**  
*Black Beauty*, by Anna Sewell  
*The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe*, by C.S. Lewis  
*Half Magic*, by Edward Eager