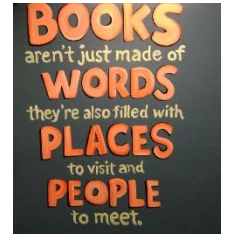




# Oxford Center School

## 2019 Suggested Summer Reading for Incoming 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Graders



Dear Families:

We're happy to offer some suggestions for your child's summer reading pleasure in this flyer. Please encourage your child to read ANYTHING that appeals to him/her whether it's listed here or not. Allowing them to choose books that they will actually read is a great way to help your child become a better reader.

**Happy Reading!!!**

Mrs. Nichols

Mrs. Redfern

### One Book, One School

2012 World According to Humphrey (Birney)

2013 My Life as a Stuntboy (Tashjian)

2014 Pie (Weeks)

2015 The One and Only Ivan (Applegate)

2016 The Thing About Georgie (Graff)

2018 Fish in a Tree (Hunt)

2019 Sled Dog School (Johnson)

### Tips

- ❖ Your child is not too old for read alouds! It builds their vocabulary and listening skills (and it's fun for both of you!)
- ❖ Reading poetry together is especially fun - try taking turns or making a game out of finding other words that would fit into the poem!
- ❖ Be a role model - your children will be excited to see you take time to read (and it will give you some relaxation time)!
- ❖ Audiobooks are a great way to make a long car ride more fun for the whole family!

Be sure to enjoy the Oxford Public Library's summer program, A Universe of Stories! ([www.oxfordlib.org](http://www.oxfordlib.org))

There's a new independent bookstore in Monroe (formerly Linda's Storytime) which is planning some exciting author visits and other summer activities! The first one is Saturday, June 15 at 1:00 - meet Lauren Tarshis, author of the "I Survived" series!!! For more information to go [www.turningthepagebooks.com](http://www.turningthepagebooks.com); tell them Mrs. Redfern sent you!

### \*\*\*For Fun\*\*\*



Take a picture of your child reading over the summer and have him/her bring it to school; we will post them on a bulletin board in the hallway for the whole month of September!

**Prizes will be awarded based on creativity and humor!**

#### Challenging Books/Series:

*Eragon* trilogy (Paolini)  
*Maximum Ride* (Patterson)  
*Artemis Fowl* (Colfer)  
*Percy Jackson* (Riordan)  
*Land of Stories* (Colfer)  
*I Survived ...* (Tarshis)



#### Favorite Authors:

Mary Downing Hahn  
Gordon Korman  
Roald Dahl  
Dan Gutman  
Kate DiCamillo  
Lisa Graff



**"So please, oh PLEASE, we beg, we pray: go throw your TV set away. And in its place you can install, a lovely bookshelf on the wall."**

— Roald Dahl, *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*

### 2020 Nutmeg Nominees

*All Rise for the Honorable Perry T. Cook* (Connor)  
*Ban This Book* (Gratz)  
*The Dreadful Tale of Prosper Redding* (Bracken)  
*Estranged* (Aldridge)  
*Fuzzy* (Angleberger & Dellinger)  
*Greetings from Witness Protection!* (Burt)  
*The Jumbles* (Baptiste)  
*Save Me a Seat* (Weeks)  
*Unbound: A Novel in Verse* (Burg)  
*The Van Gogh Deception* (Hicks)

### Award Winners

2019 Nutmeg Award Winner  
*Awkward* (Chmakova)

2018 Nutmeg Award Winner  
*The War That Saved My Life* (Bradley)

Previous Nutmeg Award Winners  
*Roller Girl* (Jamieson)  
*The One and Only Ivan* (Applegate)  
*Because of Mr. Terupt* (Buyea)  
*Lemonade War* (Davies)

