



**REQUIRED SUMMER READING  
FOR  
STUDENTS  
ENTERING  
GRADE 4  
SEPTEMBER 2019**



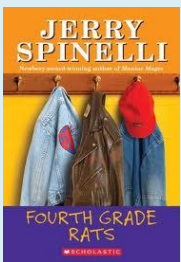
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## Why Summer Reading

- Helps the child to learn new vocabulary and concepts.
- Presents an opportunity to develop a love for books.
- Reinforces language skills.
- Prepares students for the next school year.
- Provides an opportunity for one to share stories with family and friends.

### Summer Reading is required for students attending Nazareth Elementary.

This summer you will read 2 books and complete a project for each book read.



#### **FOURTH GRADE RATS**

**By Jerry Spinelli**

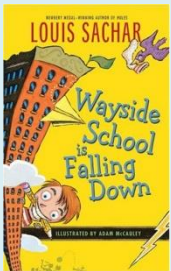
Suds learns that his best friend is wrong. You don't have to be a tough guy, a "rat," to be a grown up fourth grader.



#### **THE FABLED FOURTH GRADERS OF AESOP ELEMENTARY**

**By Candace Fleming**

An unlikely teacher takes over the disorderly fourth-grade class of Aesop Elementary School with surprising results.



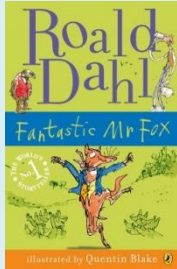
#### **WAYSIDE SCHOOL IS FALLING DOWN**

**By Louis Sachar**

Humorous episodes from the classroom on the thirtieth floor of Wayside School, where students learn to tango, face the cafeteria's dreaded Mushroom Surprise, and study a hobo during Show and Tell.



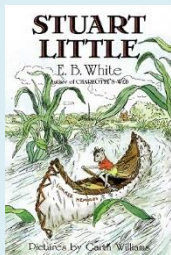
Read any one of the books in **THE DOG MAN SERIES**, by **Dan Pilkey**.



### **FANTASTIC MR. FOX**

**Roald Dahl**

Three farmers, each one meaner than the other, try all-out warfare to get rid of the fox and his family.

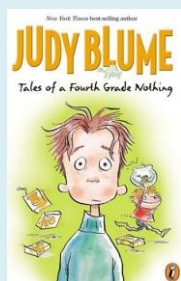


### **STUART LITTLE**

**By E.B. White**

The adventures of a mouse, Stuart Little, as he sets out in the world to find his dearest friend, a little bird who stayed a few days in his family's garden.

Chose one of the following books by **Judy Blume**.

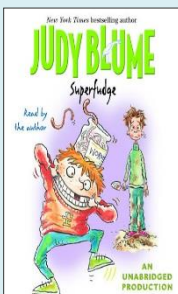


### **TALES OF A FOURTH GRADE NOTHING**

**By Judy Blume**

The story focuses on a 9-year-old boy named Peter Warren Hatcher and his relationship with his 2-year old brother Farley Drexel.

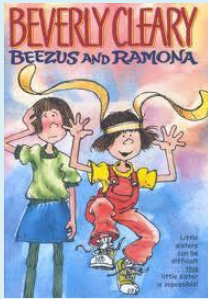
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### **SUPERFUDGE**

Peter describes the highs and lows of life with his younger brother Fudge

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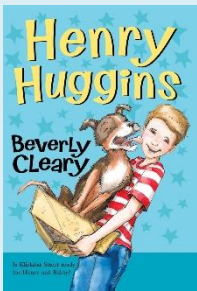


### **BEEZUS AND RAMONA**

**By Beverly Cleary**

Beezus' biggest problem is her 4-year old sister Ramona. Even though Beezus knows sisters are supposed to love each other, with a sister like Ramona, it seems impossible.

Or



### **HENRY HUGGINS**

**By Beverly Cleary**

When Henry adopts Ribsby, a dog of no particular breed, humorous adventures follow

## **Assignment**

Summer Reading is a requirement for students attending Nazareth Elementary. Choose two of the books you have read and complete an assignment for each of the books. You must do a different project for each book.

1. Create a diorama using the characters and setting in the book. In addition you are to write a summary explaining your diorama and include important information about the book. Be sure to include the title and author.
2. Design an original book jacket for one of the books you read. Write a 5 sentence paragraph that summarizes the book. Include the title and author. You may type or write the summary neatly.
3. Write a letter to the author or one of the characters in the book. Let the person know what you liked or did not like about the book. Include questions you would like your person to answer.

**Summer reading credit will be part of the first Quarter ELA grade.**  
**Completed work is due the week of Sept. 4-6, 2019**

Copies of the summer reading books are available at the public libraries throughout the Monroe Public Library System. Although there are copies of each title, our school may not be the only school requiring students to read a particular title. You may also choose to purchase your own copy of a book.



### ***Other Fun Things to Do This Summer***

1. Visit the public library, go to a museum, or visit the zoo.
2. Put a pack of flashcards in your car and create a game that helps you review the basic math facts.
3. Explore the website to help you maintain skills.

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