

**Springfield Public Schools
Recommended Reading Literature List
2026-2027
Grade 2**



**Edward V. Walton Elementary School
James Caldwell Elementary School
Thelma L. Sandmeier Elementary School
Springfield, New Jersey**

Second Grade Reading List

Fiction Picture Books

- *Miss Nelson** by Allard, Harry
- *Moonbear** by Asch, Frank
- *Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs* by Barrett, Judi
- *The Berenstain Bears** by Berenstain, Stan and Jan
- *Franklin** by Bourgeois, Paulette
- *Arthur** by Brown, Marc
- *Biscuit** by Capucilli, Alyssa
- *See You in Second Grade* by Cohen, Miriam
- *Click Clack Moo, Cows that Type* by Cronin, Doreen
- *Pete the Cat** by Dean, James
- *Pirate School* by Dubowski, Cathy East
- *Go, Dog. Go!* by Eastman, P.D.
- *The Magic Fox* by Fox, Mem
- *The Straight Line Wonder* by Fox, Mem
- *Is Your Mama a Llama?* by Guarino, Deborah
- *Bailey Goes Camping* by Henekes, Kevin
- *Chester's Way* by Henekes, Kevin
- *Sheila Rae, The Brave* by Henekes, Kevin
- *Arthur** by Hoban, Lillian
- *Francis** by Hoban, Russell
- *Happy Birthday, Danny and the Dinosaur* by Hoff, Syd
- *A Color of His Own* by Lionni, Leo
- *Froggy* by London, Jonathan
- *Fish Had a Wish*, by Garland, Michael
- *Story of Chicken Licken* by Ormerod, J.
- *Thunder Cake* by Polacco, Patricia
- *Curious George** by Rey, Margaret
- *Alligators All Around* by Sendak, Maurice
- *Where the Wild Things Are* by Sendak, Maurice
- *Doctor De Soto* by Steig, William
- *Black Lagoon** by Thaler, Mike
- *Morris the Moose** by Wiseman, B.
- *Noisy Nora* by Wells, Rosemary
- *Big Hungry Bear* by Wood, Audrey

Nonfiction Picture Books

- *Picture Book of... ** by Adler, David
- *Betsy Ross*, by White, Becky

- *Hurricanes*, by Gail Gibbons
- *A Tree for All Seasons*, by Robin Bernard
- *Vote!* by Christelow, Eileen
- *Louis Braille: The Boy Who Invented Books for the Blind* by Davidson, Margaret
- *The Story of Jackie Robinson: Bravest Man in Baseball* by Davidson, Margaret
- *Rookie Read-About Science** by Fowler, Allan
- *The Moon Book* by Gibbons, Gail
- *Star Stuff*, by Sisson, Stephanie Roth
- *Boy, Were We Wrong About Dinosaurs!* by Kudlinski, Kathleen

Nonfiction Picture Books Con't.

- *A Girl Named Helen Keller* by Lundell, Margo
- *Black Holes*, by Than, Ker
- *Bat Loves the Night*, by Davies, Nicola
- *If You Decide to Go to the Moon* by McNulty, Faith
- *Miss Lady Bird's Wildflowers*, by Johnson, Lady Bird
- *Wild Tracks: A Guide to Nature's Footprints* by Arnosky, Jim
- *Martin's Big Words* by Rappanport, Doreen
- *Childhood of Famous Americans** by various authors
- *A Drop of Water: A Book of Science and Wonder* by Wick, Walter
- *Earth Movers*, by Martin, M.T.

Fiction Chapter Books

- *Young Cam Jansen** by Adler, David
- *Flat Stanley** by Brown, Jeff
- *The Chalk Box Kid* by Bulla, Clyde Robert
- *Socks* by Cleary, Beverly
- *Diary of a Worm* by Cronin, Doreen
- *Nancy Drew and the Clue Crew** by Keene, Carolyn
- *Horrible Harry** by Kline, Suzy
- *Frog and Toad** by Lobel, Arnold
- *Stink** by McDonald, Megan
- *Magic Tree House** by Osborne, Mary Pope
- *Amelia Bedelia** by Parish, Herman
- *Junie B. Jones** by Park, Barbara
- *Jigsaw Jones** by Preller, James

- *A to Z Mysteries** by Roy, Ron
- *Cobble Street Cousins** by Rylant, Cynthia
- *Henry and Mudge** by Rylant, Cynthia
- *Mr. Putter and Tabby** by Rylant, Cynthia
- *Nate the Great** by Sharmat, Marjorie Weinman
- *Clementine** by Pennypacker, Sara

Nonfiction Chapter Books

- *50 American Heroes Every Kid Should Meet* by Denenberg, Dennis and Roscoe, Lorraine
- *American Revolution*, by Osborne, Mary Pope
- *Rosa* by Giovanni, Nikki
- *Magic Tree House Fact Tracker** by Osborne, Mary Pope
- *Martin Luther King, Jr. and the March on Washington* by Ruffin, Frances
- *Magic School Book Science Chapter Books** by various authors
- *Who was Babe Ruth?* by Holub, Joan
- *Great Women Athletes*, by Bailer, Darcie