#### Summer Reading Ideas for Fourth Graders, June 2014

All these books are in the Sausalito Library. Some may be checked out, if so ask the librarian to help you put them on hold.

## If you like DIARY OF A WIMPY KID

The 13-Story Treehouse

Griffiths, Andy

J Fiction Griffiths

Join Andy and Ter4ry for adventures in their amazing treehouse, complete with a bowling alley, see-through swimming pool, lemonade fountain, and man-eating-shark tank.

**Timmy Failure** 

Pastis, Stephan

J Fiction Pastis

Meet Timmy Failure, the founder, president, and CEO of the best detective agency in town, probably the nation. And his lazy sidekick, Total, a 1,500-pound polar bear.

Big Nate: in a Class by Himself

Peirce, Lincoln

J Fiction Peirce

Supremely confident middle school student Nate Wright manages to make getting detention from every one of his teachers in the same day seem like an achievement.

**Adventures of Captain Underpants** 

Pilkey, Dav

**Chapter Pilkey** 

When George and Harold hypnotize their principal into thinking that he is the superhero Captain Underpants, he leads them to the lair of the nefarious Dr. Diaper, where they must defeat his evil robot henchmen.

My Life as a Cartoonist

Tashjian, Janet

J Fiction Tashjian

Twelve-year-old Derek wants to train his pet monkey to help Umberto, a new student who uses a wheelchair, but Umberto would rather steal Derek's cartoon ideas.

### If you like ROALD DAHL

**Everything on a Waffle** 

Horvath, Polly

J Fiction Horvath\*\*

The book starts: "My name is Primrose Squarp. I am eleven years old. I have hair the color of carrots in apricot glaze (recipe to follow), skin fair and clear where it isn't freckled, and eyes like summer storms." Primrose tells the story of her year in a small fishing village while her parents are lost at sea, the book includes many creative recipes like, 'Butterscotch Chow Mein Noodle Cookies.'\*\*

The Phantom Tollbooth

Juster, Norton.

J Fiction Norton

Milo, a bored ten-year-old who comes home to find a large toy tollbooth sitting in his room. Joining forces with a watchdog named Tock, Milo drives through the tollbooth's gates and begins a memorable journey. He meets such characters as the foolish, yet lovable Humbug, the Mathemagician, and the not-so-wicked "Which," Faintly Macabre, who gives Milo the "impossible" mission of returning two princesses to the Kingdom of Wisdom.\*\*

**The Candy Makers** 

Mass, Wendy

J Fiction Mass

When four twelve-year-olds compete in the Confectionary Association's annual contest to invent the best candy bar, they unexpectedly become friends and uncover secrets about themselves. \*

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### If you like FAIRIES

Athena the Brain Holub, Jane J Fiction Holub

Athena learns that she is a goddess when she is summoned to Mount Olympus by her father, Zeus, and she must quickly adjust to her new status, make friends with the other godboys and goddessgirls, and catch up with all the studies she missed while attending mortal school. First in the Goddess Girls series.\*

Charm Bracelet, The Rodda, Emily J Fiction Rodda

When Jessie searches for her ill grandmother's missing charm bracelet, she is led to a magical world and find she has a reason and right to be there. First in the Fairy Realm series.

#### Tinker bell and the Great Fairy Rescue

J Graphic Novel Disney

The Pixie Hollow fairies have arrived on the mainland to make summer unfold. With them is Tinker Bell. She will make new friends and discover that her old ones are always read to come to her rescue.

## If you like GRAPHIC NOVELS

### The Adventures of Ook and Gluk Pilkey, Dav

J Graphic Novel Pilkey

Boys got into trouble even in the time of cavemen, and Ook and Gluk prove it by getting on the wrong side of Chief Goppernopper. Fortunately, the boys travel to the future, learn kung fu, and return in time to save the day.

### Babymouse: Queen of the World! Holm, J. & M.

J Graphic Novel Holm

Meet Babymouse, a sassy young mouse who dreams of glamour, excitement, adventure, straight whiskers, being queen of the world, and of course, being invited to Felicia Furrypaws's oh-so-exclusive party. First of the Babymouse series.

**Bake Sale** Varon, Sara J Graphic Novel Varon Cupcake runs a successful bakery with his best friend, Eggplant, but he dreams of going abroad to meet his idol, Turkish Delight, who is the most famous pastry chef in the world.

Chi's Sweet Home Konami, Kanata

J Graphic Novel Konami

A supersweet manga series in which a spunky lost kitten is rescued by the Yamadas, who are not allowed to have pets in their apartment. While dreaming of finding her mother, Chi navigates such trials as litter training, vet visits, and avoiding the nosy landlady. First of the Chi's Sweet Home series.

**The Dodgeball Chronicles** Cammuso Frank J Graphic Novel Cammuso In this Arthurian legend reimagined for middle-grade readers, Artie King finds that making enemies at Camelot Middle School is a lot easier than making friends when he challenges "The Horde" to a game of dodgeball. First of the Knights of the Lunch Table series.

### Fangbone! Third-Grade Barbarian Rex, Michael

J Graphic Novel Rex

A young barbarian from another dimension is sent on a mission to our world, only to immediately find himself stuck in the third grade. Fortunately, he is able to rally the local misfits into helping him save the ultimate weapon from the hands of the enemy.

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Lunch Lady & the Cyborg Substitute Krosoczka, Jarrett J.

J Graphic Novel Krosoczka

This is no ordinary school lunch lady; she is a superhero in disguise! In this novel, Lunch Lady, her assistant, and three students must find a missing teacher and stop a plan to steal the Teacher of the Year Award. First of the Lunch Lady series.

The Invention of Hugo Cabret Selznick, Brian

J Fiction

When twelve-year-old Hugo, an orphan living and repairing clocks within the walls of a Paris train station in 1931, meets a mysterious toy seller and his goddaughter, his undercover life and his biggest secret are jeopardized.

## If you like MAGIC TREE HOUSE

**Journey to the Volcano Palace** 

Abbott, Tony

**Chapter Abbot** 

Eric, Julie, and Neal have a problem. The nasty Lord Sparr has stolen a magic jewel from their friend Princess Keeah. The princess really needs their help. The good news is the jewel is in Lord Sparr's secret palace. The bad news is the secret palace is in a volcano! Secrets of Droon series.

**Summer Reading is Killing me!** 

Scieszka, Jon

Chapter Scieszka

At the beginning of summer vacation Joe, Sam and Fred find themselves trapped inside their summer reading list, involved in a battle between good and evil characters from well-known children's books. Time Warp Trio series.

Lost Treasure of the Emerald Eye Stilton

Enter the world of Geronimo Stilton, where and

Stilton, Geronimo

J Fiction Stilton

Enter the world of Geronimo Stilton, where another funny adventure is always right around the corner.

Thea Stilton and the Dragon's Code

Stilton, Geronimo

J Fiction Stilton

Thea Stilton (Geronimo's sister) and her journalism class try to find a missing student.

### If you like BASKETBALL

Nonfiction

**Basketball Legends in the Making** 

Doeden, Matt

J 796.32 Doeden

Wilt Chamberlain, Larry Bird, Magic Johnson, Michael Jordan. These basketball legends rule the record books. But who will fans be talking about years from now? Find out which of your favorite basketball players are legends in the making.

Stars of Basketball

Doeden, Matt

J 796.32 Doeden

They slam big-time dunks. They pull down rebounds. Who are the brightest stars in the game of basketball?

2014 Basketball Superstars

Kelley, K.C.

J 796.32 Kelley

All the action from the basketball court . . . now on the page! Highlighting 2014's top basketball stars on the court. Including LeBron James, Kevin Durant, Kobe Bryant, Tony Parker and many more! Features detailed player information and tons of photos.

**Hoop Genius** 

Coy, John

J 796.323 Coy

How a desperate teacher and a rowdy gym class invented basketball.

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**Biographies** 

Kobe BryantJ Bio BryantLebron JamesJ Bio JamesLebron James: A Basketball Player Who CaresJ Bio James

### If you like WARRIORS by Erin Hunter

**Redwall** Jacques, Brian J Fiction Jacques

When the peaceful life of ancient Redwall Abbey is shattered by the arrival of the evil rat Cluny and his villainous hordes, Matthias, a young mouse, determines to find the legendary sword of Martin the Warrior which, he is convinced, will help Redwall's inhabitants destroy the enemy. Series. \*

**Spirit Animals, Book One: Wild Born** Mull, Brandon J Fiction Spirit In Erdas, four children have four mighty spirit animals, but can these kids and their animals save their world? Spirit Animals series.\*

**Wings of Fire: The Dragonet Prophecy** Sutherland, Tui T. J Fiction Sutherland Five young dragons from different tribes must face treachery and deceit and work together to fulfill the prophecy that will bring an end to the dragon wars. Series.\*

# If you like PERCY JACKSON

Artemis Fowl Colfer, Eoin J Fiction Colfer

When a twelve-year-old evil genius tries to restore his family fortune by capturing a fairy and demanding a ransom in gold, the fairies fight back with magic, technology, and a particularly nasty troll.\*

Fablehaven Mull, Brandon J Fiction

When Kendra and Seth go to stay at their grandparents' estate, they discover that it is a sanctuary for magical creatures and that a battle between good and evil is looming. Fablehaven series\*.

Maze of Bones: 39 Clues Riordan, Rick J Fiction Thirty-Nine At the reading of their grandmother's will, Dan and Amy Cahill are given the choice of receiving a million dollars or uncovering the 39 clues hidden around the world that will lead to the source of the family's power, but by taking on the clues, they end up in a dangerous race against their own family members.

## If you like HARRY POTTER

How to Train Your Dragon Cowell, Cressida J Fiction Cowell

The story chronicles the adventures and misadventures of Hiccup Horrendous Haddock the Third as he tries to pass the important initiation test of his Viking clan, the Tribe of the Hairy Hooligans, by catching and training a dragon.\*

**The First Day of School, The** McMullan, Kate Chapter McMullan Wiglaf is off to Dragon Slayer's Academy and in for a first day of school he will never forget.

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### The Magic Thief

Prineas, Sarah

J Fiction Prineas

A young thief is drawn into a life of magic and adventure after picking the pocket of the powerful wizard Nevery Flinglas, who has returned from exile to attempt to reverse the troubling decline of magic in Wellmet City. Magic Thief series.\*

Magyk

Sage, Angie

J Fiction Sage

After learning that she is the Princess, Jenna is whisked from her home and carried toward safety by the Extraordinary Wizard, those she always believed were her father and brother, and a young guard known only as Boy 412--pursued by agents of those who killed her mother ten years earlier. Septimus Heap series.\*\*

# If you like REALISTIC FICTION

Cosmic

Cottrell Boyce, Frank

J Fiction Cottrell

12-year-old Liam looks like he's thirty. Sometimes it's not bad; for example on the first day of school the principal mistakes Liam for a teacher or when he convinces a car dealer to let hime test drive a Porsche. So feeling like he's stuck between two world, Liam cons his way into being the adult chaperon on the first space ship to take civilians into space. But when the ship is stuck 230,000 miles from home, being mistaken for an adult is not good.\*\*

The Thing About Luck

Kadohata, Cynthia

J Fiction Kadohata

Just when twelve-year-old Summer thinks nothing else can possible go wrong in a year of bad luck, an emergency takes her parents to Japan, leaving Summer to care for her little brother while helping her grandmother cook and do laundry for harvest workers.

**Inside Out and Back Again** 

Lai, Thanhha

J Fiction Lai

Hà escapes South Vietnam with her family and finds that life is very different in the United States.\*\*

The Fashion Disaster

Keene, Carolyn

Chapter Keene

A Nancy Drew & the Clue Crew book: Nancy Drew investigates when someone steals a basket of gourmet dog biscuits from a dog show.

### And don't forget . . . .

Biographies of interesting people, for example . . . .

Abraham Lincoln

**George Washington Carver** 

Ameila Earhart

Will Allen

Nonfiction books about interesting things, for example . . .

Animals

Dinosaurs

Fashion

Mythology

Space travel

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