

RECOMMENDED READ ALOUD LIST

PICTURE BOOKS

Books about Gardens and Plants

- *The Curious Garden* by Peter Brown
- *Jack's Garden* by Henry Cole
- *Red Leaf, Yellow Leaf* by Lois Ehlert
- *A Seed is Sleepy* by Sylvia Long and Dianna Aston
- *Sunflower House* by Eve Bunting and Kathryn Hewitt

Gain an Animal Perspective

- *In the Tall, Tall Grass* by Denise Fleming
- *Jump, Frog, Jump* by Robert Kalan and Byron Barton
- *Over and Under the Pond* by Kate Messner

Bugs, Butterflies and Creatures

- *Diary of a Worm* by Doreen Cronin and Harry Bliss
- *Under One Rock: Slugs, Bugs and other Ughs* by Anthony Fredericks
- *The Very Hungry Caterpillar* by Eric Carle
- *Waiting for Wings* by Lois Ehlert

Family Fun

- *Cloud Country* by Bonnie Becker and Noah Klocek
- *Drawn Together* by Minh Lê and Dan Santat
- *We're Going on a Bear Hunt* by Helen Oxenbury and Michael Rosen

Making the World a Better Place

- *One Plastic Bag* by Miranda Paul and Elizabeth Zunon
- *Rachel Carson and Her Book that Changed the World* by Laurie Lawlor and Laura Beingsner
- *The Tree Lady* by H. Joseph Hopkins and Jill McElmurry
- *The Water Hole* by Graeme Base

CHAPTER BOOKS

Better Together

- *Every Soul a Star* by Wendy Mass
- *Hello Universe* by Erin Entrada Kelly and Isabel Roxas
- *Maniac McGee* by Jerry Spanelli
- *Seedfolks* by Paul Fleishman and Judy Pedersen
- *Wishtree* by Katherine Applegate

Kids Save the Day

- *Hoot* by Carl Hiaasen
- *Jackie's Wild Seattle* by Will Hobbs
- *Operation Redwood* by S. Terrell French

Classics

- *Charlotte's Web* by E.B. White
- *Island of the Blue Dolphins* by Scott O'Dell
- *Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH* by Robert C. O'Brien and Zena Bernstein
- *Tuck Everlasting* by Natalie Babbitt

True Stories

- *The Hive Detectives: Chronicle of a Honey Bee Catastrophe* by Loree Griffin Burns
- *Once a Wolf: How Wildlife Biologists Fought to Bring Back the Gray Wolf* by Stephen Swinburne
- *Tracking Trash: Flotsam, Jetsam, and the Science of Ocean Motion* by Loree Griffin Burns
- *Wild Horse Scientists* by Kay Fydenborg

Animal Lovers

- *Because of Winn Dixie* by Kate DiCamillo
- *Where the Red Fern Grows* by Wilson Rawls
- *The Wild Robot* by Peter Brown
- *Wish* by Barbara O'Connor

Survival Adventure

- *Hatchet* by Gary Paulsen
- *My Side of the Mountain* by Jean Craighead George
- *Sign of the Beaver* by Elizabeth George Speare

Middle School

- *Going Blue: A Teen Guide to Saving Our Oceans, Lakes, Rivers & Wetlands* by Cathryn Berger Kaye
- *Touching Spirit Bear* by Ben Mikaelson
- *World Without Fish* by Mark Kurlansky