

Reading List for 4th grade

Students **must** read the novel, "*Lemonade War*" by Jacqueline Davies over the summer months.

Students will be asked to complete a "Book in a Bag" project. This project will be due the **first week** of school.

More information on what the "Book in a Bag" project entails below.

Additionally, student must complete a book report form from **one** of the optional books below:

Title	Author
Wonder	R.J. Palacio
How to Eat Fried Worms	Thomas Rockwell
Tuck Everlasting	Natalie Babbitt
Freak the Mighty	Rodman Philbrick
Flat Stanley	Jeff Brown
Charlie and the Chocolate Factory	Roald Dahl
Mr. Popper's Penguins	Richard Atwater and Florence Atwater
Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing	Judy Blume
The Bridge to Terabithia	Katherine Paterson
4 th Grade Celebrity	Patricia Reilly Griff
The Best School Year Ever	Barbara Robinson
The Chocolate Touch	Patrick Skene Catling
Elijah of Buxton	Christopher Paul Curtis

Both projects (the book in a bag overview and book report form) are attached below and it will also be up on our school website if it is misplaced.

Math Reinforcement

Over the summer, please review multiplication facts 1-12 with students as they will need to have them **fully memorized** in September (and for the remainder of the year). Mostly everything covered in 4th grade mathematics deals with the knowledge of those facts. They are vital to the 4th grade year!

Some websites that would be helpful are:

IXL.com, multiplication.com, Mathplayground.com, FirstInMath.com (available until July), ABCya.com, and mathblaster.com

Some additional math resources:

-Math 24 Cards to play, Multiplication/Subtraction flash cards

Hope everyone has a wonderful summer ☺

Book in a Bag Project

Project Overview: Decorate a bag to represent the book, “Lemonade War” and fill it with objects that represent different parts of the book.

Project Details:

- You must use a **paper bag** for this project. They can be found at grocery stores. Be sure to pick one up throughout the summer months in order for the child to complete their project. You will need to cover the bag with white paper in order for the outside components to be seen.
- **Front of bag** – Write the title and author’s name. You also need to draw and color a scene from the story. You should do all of this on a piece of white paper and then glue it onto the bag. Get creative! Attaching a small basketball hoop or fake plant leaves onto the front of the bag are examples of creative details that make the bag look great! In the bottom corner of the bag, be sure to write your name so that we know the project is yours.
- **Back of bag** - On the back of the bag, write a summary of the book. The summary should tell about the main characters, setting (Where did the story take place?), and the plot (a brief explanation about what happened at the beginning, middle, and end of the story.) Write your summary on lined paper and then glue or staple it to the bag. I would expect your summary to be about 1 page long. It should be in YOUR own words, and not your parents or older siblings. (And yes, you may type it)
- **Left side of bag** – Your rating of the book will go on this side of the bag. You will create your own rating list. You may use stars, objects, smiley faces, etc. You must write what your rating scale means (1 being you didn’t like the book at all, 10 being you loved the book as an example).
- **Right side of bag** - On the right side of the bag, pick 10 interesting words from the story. Write down the words and tell what they mean (Use a dictionary or online sources for the definitions). Do this on paper and glue it on the bag. You can draw examples of the word meanings, too!
- **Inside the bag** - Find at least 8 different objects that go along with the story to put inside of your bag. Here is a big chance to be creative, as well. This portion must have actual objects – not pictures. You can use toys, modeling clay, or anything else that may represent something important from the story. Make sure that each item you pick is unique.

- Presentation – During the first week of school, you will have to present your book in a bag project. Make sure you are practicing your presentation before school starts so that you will be comfortable and confident in explaining your project to the class. You will have to display your bag as well as give an explanation to each item inside of your bag, what it represents from the story, and why you chose the item to represent that part of the book.

*Be sure to have fun and get creative with this assignment. I look forward to seeing the fun things you are able to come up with! ☺

