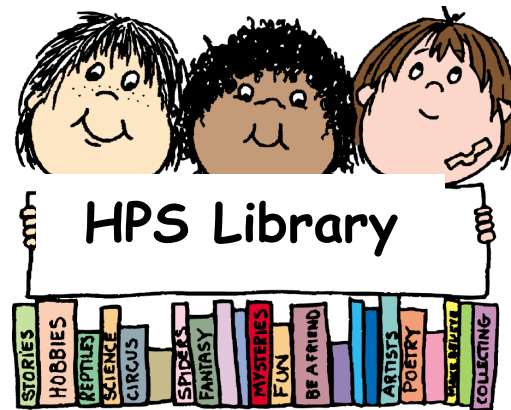


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Dear Students and Parents,

Summer reading is for pleasure and is a link that ties one school year to the next. Here is an updated list of new books to assist you in your quest for wonderful literature to read during your leisure time this summer. There will also be many great choices from former reading lists and popular series.



All books listed here will be available at the Hanscom Air Force Base Library during the summer and at the school library during the school year.

The HAFB library will not only house the books but will also offer a fabulous series of events as part of their summer reading program "**Starship Adventure**". Parents need to register children and make sure they have a library card for the first visit.

Families are also welcome at any summer events at the local public libraries in Lincoln and Bedford.

The love of reading is our gift to our children. It is our hope that our book list and the many summer reading activities at the Base Library will be a joyful experience for all. Have a wondrous book filled summer!

Sincerely,  
Randy Davis, Principal

Nancy Rote, Librarian

Meaghan Engdahl, Assistant Librarian



## HPS Grade One Summer Reading 2009

**Doeden, Matt.** The U.S. Air Force, The U.S. Army, The U.S. Coast Guard, The U.S. Marine Corps, The U.S. Navy. Nonfiction.

Simple text and photographs describe the different military branches.

**Franks, Katie.** Bees Up Close, Owls Up Close, Sunflowers Up Close. Nonfiction.

Engaging beginner science books that introduce life cycles to beginning readers.

**George, Jean Craighead.** Goose and Duck. Early chapter book, fiction.

A young boy becomes the "mother" to a goose, who becomes "mother" to a duck, as they learn about the rhythms of nature together.

**Howe, James.** Houndsley and Catina and the Quiet Time. Early chapter book, fiction.

After the winter's first snowfall, Houndsley enjoys the quiet time, while Catina fears her plans will be ruined. Houndsley helps her see what fun it can be to stay indoors.

**Gorbechev, Valeri.** Turtle's Penguin Day. Picture book.

After hearing a bedtime story about penguins, Turtle dresses as one for school and soon the entire class is having a penguin day, sliding on their bellies and eating goldfish crackers.

**Hines, Anna Grossnickle.** 1, 2, Buckle My Shoe. Counting book.

A quiltmaker illustrator creates a patchwork of counting fun with a classic rhyme.

**Johnson, Angela and Lewis, E.B.** Lily Brown's Paintings. Picture book.

See where Lily's imagination brings her as she paints. How about doing some painting yourself?!

**Penn, Audery.** A Kiss Goodbye. Picture book, moving.

Chester Raccoon is very unhappy about leaving his home, a tree that has been marked by tree cutters. His mother tries to convince him their new home might be good too!

**Seeger, Laura Vaccaro.** First the Egg. Nonfiction.

This is a Caldecott Honor book with die-cut pages show the transformations of various animals and objects, such as a seed to a flower, paint to a picture, etc.

**Twine, Alice.** Baby Animals Series: Kangaroos, Kittens, and Puppies. Nonfiction, animals.

These adorable books describe some characteristics of these baby animals.

**Willems, Mo.** Knuffle Bunny too : a case of mistaken identity. Humor.

Trixie's first day of pre-kindergarten gets off to a bad start when she and Sonja discover they have the very same "one-of-a-kind" Knuffle Bunnies. Enjoy other entertaining titles by Mo Willems!

## HPS Grade Two Summer Reading 2009

**Barrett, Judi.** **Never Take a Shark to the Dentist.** Picture book, humor.

A list of things one should not do with various animals, such as "hold hands with a lobster."

**Coffelt, Nancy.** **Fred Stays With Me.** Picture book, contemporary fiction.

A child describes how she lives sometimes with her mother and sometimes with her father, but her dog is her constant companion.

**Frazer, Marla.** **A Couple of Boys Have the Best Week Ever.** Picture book, humor.

Friends James and Eamon enjoy a wonderful week at the home of Eamon's grandparents during summer vacation.

**Jeffers, Oliver.** **The Incredible Book Eating Boy.** Picture book, humor.

Henry decides he could do something else with the books he has been devouring. Funny, thoughtful illustrations.

**Levine, Ellen.** **Henry's Freedom Box.** Historical fiction.

In 1849, Virginia slave Henry "Box" Brown escapes to freedom by shipping himself in a crate from Richmond to Philadelphia. Caldecott Honor Medal for illustrator Kadir Nelson.

**Lichtenheld, Tom.** **Everything I Know About Monsters.** Picture book, humor.

Turn on all the lights in the house and enjoy this collection of made-up facts, educated guesses, and silly pictures about creatures of creepiness. Enjoy this and other "monster stories" this summer!

**McCully, Emily Arnold.** **My Heart Glow: Alice Cogswell, Thomas Gallaudet, and the Birth of American Sign Language.** Biography, history.

History of the American School for the Deaf in Hartford, Connecticut, and the invention of American Sign Language.

**Miller, Sara Swan.** **Sloths.** Nonfiction, animals.

**Pearl, Norman.** **Sharks: Ocean Hunters.** Nonfiction, animals.

Incredibly photographed, clearly written animal nonfiction.

**Palatini, Margie.** **The Cheese.** Picture book, humor, parody.

After they all agree to ignore the story of "The Farmer in the Dell," the rat, cat, dog, child, farmer, and his wife have a party featuring the tempting hunk of cheese.

**Seeger, Laura Vaccaro.** **One Boy.** Counting book.

A boy creates ten paintings in this counting book that also explores the relationship of words within words. Clever cut out illustrations.

**Wallace, Nancy Elizabeth.** **The Kindness Quilt.** Picture book.

Minna does a lot of thinking about her project to do something kind, make a picture about what she did, and share it with her classmates.

## HPS Grade Three Summer Reading 2009

**Barraclough, Sue.** Making a Difference: Respecting Our World, Reusing Things, Recycling Materials, Reducing Garbage. Nonfiction.

Photographs and simple text describe how saving energy and water, recycling, cleaning up the land can make a difference in the Earth's environment.

**Corbett, Sue.** Free Baseball. Contemporary fiction, multicultural.

Eleven-year-old Felix becomes a bat boy for a minor league baseball team, hoping to someday be like his father, a famous Cuban outfielder.

**Head, Honor.** Amazing Life Cycles: Amazing Mammals. Nonfiction, animals.

**Williams, Brian.** Amazing Life Cycles: Amazing Reptiles and Amphibians. Nonfiction, animals. Awesome pictures and wonderful facts about animal life cycles!

**Krezel, Cindy.** Kids' Container Gardening : year-round projects for inside and out. Nonfiction, science.

Step-by-step instructions for many container gardening projects for children, arranged by season.

**Krulik, Nancy E.** Katie Kazoo Series. Fiction series.

Katie Carew has a magical habit that helps her learn about the lives of those around her. Join in her magical journeys in this wonderful series!

**Lewis, Maggie.** Morgy Makes His Move. Regional contemporary fiction.

When third-grader Morgy MacDougal-MacDuff moves from California to Massachusetts with his parents, he has a lot of new things to get used to before he feels comfortable.

**Look, Lenore.** Alvin Ho: Allergic to Girls, School, and Other Scary Things. Fiction, humor.

How can "Firecracker Man", a descendant of a long line of Chinese former warrior and superhero overcome his fear of everything?

**McCully, Amily Arnold.** Marvelous Mattie: How Margaret E. Knight Became and Inventor.

Biography.

Learn about Knight's invention of a paper bag maker.

**McDonald, Megan.** Stink and the World's Worst Super-stinky Sneakers. Fiction, humor.

A class visit to the Gross-Me-Out exhibit at the science museum inspires Stink Moody to create! Learn about this creation and other stories about this wacky character.

**Pellant, Chris and Helen.** Rocks Stars Series: Crystals and Gemstones, Minerals, Rocks.

Nonfiction.

The Rock Stars series describes the formation, identification and use of rocks and minerals.

**Talbott, Hudson.** United Tweets of America: 50 State Birds. Nonfiction.

Enjoy these detailed illustrations of state birds from all fifty United States.