Over the summer, as you get ready for Grade 3, we ask that you read EVERYDAY for at least 20 minutes.

**Boston Public Schools 3rd Grade Recommended Book for rising 3rd graders is:**

**Ruby Lu the Star of the Show** by Lenore Look

Kids love reading with their families and it’s a great opportunity for you to share time and a good book together! Reading, especially summer reading, should be fun and enjoyable. The following books are suggested books for your child. However, feel free to explore your local library with your child and find something that he or she will enjoy!

**Fiction**

- Auch, Mary Jane *I was a Third Grade Spy* (3.3)
- Bauer, Marion Dane *Blue Ghost* (2.9)
- Barnes, Derrick *Crown An Ode to the Fresh Cut*
- Blume, Judy *Freckle Juice* (3.1)
- Blume, Judy *Pain and the Great One* (3.1)
- Blume, Judy *SuperFudge* (3.4)
- Cameron, Ann *More Stories Julian Tells* (3.1)
- Cleary, Beverly *Ramona* (5.5)
- Costa Bates, Janet *Seaside Dreams*
- Dagleish, Alice *The Courage of Sarah Noble* (4.2)
- Dahl, Roald *Fantastic Mr. Fox* (4.1)
- Dahl, Roald *Magic Finger* (3.1)
- DeLaCrixox, Alice *The Hero of Third Grade* (3.6)
- DiCamillo, Kate *Because of Winn Dixie* (4.5)
- Diaz, Junot *Island Born*
- Duffey, Betsy *How to Be Cool in Third Grade* (3.5)
- Fleishman, Sid *Bandit’s Moon* (4.5)
- Fleishman, Sid *The Whipping Boy* (3.9)
- Hermes, Patricia *Westward to Home: Joshua’s Diary* (3.1)
- Kellog, Steven *Best Friends* (3.4)
- LaGuin, Ursula *Catwings* (4.3)
- Lowry, Lois *Gooney Bird Green* (2.8)
- MacLachan, Patricia *Sarah Plain and Tall* (3.4)
- MacLachan, Patricia *Through Grandpa’s Eyes*
- McKissack, Patricia *The Honest-to-Goodness Truth*
- Smith, Robert Kimmell *Chocolate Fever* (4.1)
- Sheth, Sheetal *Always Anajali* (2.1)
Non-Fiction/Informational Text (N-F)
• Ballard, Robert Finding the Titanic (3.8)
• Calmenson, Rosie A Visiting Dog's Story (3.5)
• Coren, Stanley Why Do Dogs Have Wet Noses
• Nahum, Andrew Flying Machine (Eyewitness Books) (7)
• Prager, Ellen Earthquakes (3)
• Simon, Seymour Hurricanes (3)
• Simon, Seymour Paper Airplane Book (3.9)
• St George, Judith So You Want To Be an Inventor
• St George, Judith So You Want To Be President

Poetry (P)
• Dakos, Kalli If You're Not Here, Please Raise Your Hand (5.3)
• Florian, Douglas Beast Feast: Poems and Paintings (3.9)
• Florian, Douglas Bing Bang Boing (3.7)
• George O'Connell, Kristine Toasting Marshmallows: Camping Poems
• Janeczko, Paul Dirty Laundry Pile
• Prelutsky, Jack Something Big Has Been Here (4.5)
• Prelutsky, Jack The Beauty of the Beast: Poems of the Animal Kingdom (2.3)
• Silverstein, Shel Where the Sidewalk Ends

Biography (B)
• Adler, David Picture Book of …..(series) (3.5 – 5.5)
• Burleigh, R. Black Whiteness: Admiral Bird Alone In the Antartic (3.5)
• DePaola, Tomie Francis: The Poor Man of Assisi (3)
• DePaola, Tomie Patrick: Patron Saint of Ireland (3)
• Harness, Cheryl The Revolutionary John Adams
• McCurdy, M. Trapped by the Ice Shakleton’s Amazing Artic Adventure (4.5)
• Old, Wendie To Fly: The Story of the Wright Brothers (3.5)
• Wetterrer, Margaret Kate Shelley and the Midnight Express (3.3)

Adventure/Mystery
• Bonsall, Crosby The Case of the Hungry Stranger (2.6)
• Erickson, John Hank the Cow Dog (4.9)
• Leppard, Jois Gladys Mandie and the Secret Tunnel (4.6)
• Lewis, Beverly Chicken Pox Panic (2.8)
• Lisle, Janet Taylor The Gold Dust Letter (3.6)
• Parrish, Peggy Key to the Treasure (3.2)
• Roy, Ron Capital Mysteries (3.6)
• Stanley, George The Case of the Left Handed Envelope (2.4)
• Torrey, Michelle Doyle and Fossey, Science Detectives (3.8)
• Stilton, Geronimo Cat and Mouse and a Haunted House (3.4)

Series
• Adler, David Cam Jansen series (3.2 – 3.9)
• Brown, Jeff Flat Stanley Series (4)
• Christopher, Matt (sports) books
• Cole, Joanna Magic School Bus series (3.7 – 4.4)
· Conford, Ellen Jenny Archer (2.9 – 3.6)
· Danzinger Amber Brown (3.7)
· McDonald, Megan Judy Moody and Stink series (3.1 – 3.6)
· Osbourne, Mary Pope Magic Tree House (2.6 – 4.6)
· Peterson, John The Littles Series (2.5 – 3.9)
· Smith, Alexander McCall Akimbo
· Stilton, Geronimo Geronimo Stilton series (3.1 – 3.7)
· Warner, Gertrude Boxcar Children (3.9)
· Wilder, Laura Little House series (4.4 – 5.5)

Books for Emerging Readers

Sight Word Readers
· Lakeshore Sight Word Books- Level 1 & 2
· Sight word Booklets:
  http://www.hubbardscupboard.org/intro-to-sight-words/#SightWordsinABCOrder

Level aa
· “At the Lake” by Sarah Ghusson
· “Big” by Cheryl Ryan
· “The Classroom” by Nanette Rautscher

Level A
· “What’s Round?” by Barbara Shock Hazen
· “The Clown” by Tony Mitton
· “A Little Seed” by John McIlwain

Level B
· “After School” by Elizabeth Jane Pustilnik
· “Amazing Caves” By Edie Evans
· “Beach Fun” by Marvin Bodner

Level C
· “Water Changes” by Brenda Parkes
· “All About Spiders” by Rus Buyok
· “Busy at School” by Brycie Wilson

Level D
· “Goldy and the Three Bears” by Lynn Trepicchio
· “Bees Feed Me” by Harriet Rosenbloom
· “Buddy the Bear” by Anthony Curran
Step Into Reading Level 1
● The Shy Little Kitten
● The Poky Little Puppy
● DC Super Friends: Flying High
● Disney Frozen
● Cooking with Sam I Am
● Go, Go Cars!
● Shimmer and Shine: Happy Birthday to You!
● Tootle
● Barbie: Let’s Build a Snowman

Step Into Reading Level 2
● Save the Rainbow!
● Wild Kratts: Wild Fliers!
● Noah’s Arch
● Pizza Pig
● Sunny Day: Rock Stars!
● Penguins!
● Thomas & Friends
● Freckleface Strawberry
● DC Super Friends: Brave Batgirl!

Step Into Reading Level 3
● Brave Clara Barton
● DC Super Hero Girl: Butterfly Battle!
● Dream March: Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
● A Family Mystery
● Pupunzel
● Space: Planets, Moons, Stars, & More!
● Fish is Fish
● An Extraordinary Egg