**GRADE 4 Recommended Reading**

**Realistic Fiction**

* The Penderwicks (series) – Jane Birdsall
* The Lemonade War (series) - Jacqueline Davies
* Because of Winn-Dixie (Newbery) - Kate DiCamillo
* Mandy – Julie Edwards
* The Saturdays (series)- Elizabeth Enright
* Junonia – Kevin Henkes
* Melonhead (series) – Katy Kelly
* Pippi Longstocking (series) – Astrid Lindgren
* Betsy-Tacy (series) – Maud Hart Lovelace
* Comeback Kids (series) - Mike Lupica
* Juana and Lucas – Juana Medina
* Adventures with Waffles – Maria Parr
* Jake and Lily - Jerry Spinelli
* Ballet Shoes (series) – Noel Streatfield
* All of a Kind Family (series) - Sidney Taylor
* The Trouble with Tuck (sequel) – Theodore Taylor

**Historical Fiction**

* The Whipping Boy (Newbery)– Sid Fleischman
* Jackie and Me (series) - Dan Gutman
* Misty of Chincoteague (Newbery) (series) - Marguerite Henry
* Ben and Me - Robert Lawson
* The Doll Shop Downstairs (sequel) - Yona Zeldis McDonough
* Hannah’s Journal: the Story of an Immigrant Girl (series) - Marissa Moss
* Dear America Series (any title) - Scholastic Books
* I Survived (series) – Lauren Tarshis
* Childhood of Famous American Series – Various Authors
* Little House in the Big Woods (series) – Laura Ingalls Wilder

**Fantasy/Mystery**

* Pals in Peril Tales - M. T. Anderson
* Poppy (series) - Avi
* Indian in the Cupboard (series) - Lynn Reid Banks
* Brixton Brothers: The Case of the Mistaken Identity (series) - Mac Barnett
* The Children of Green Knowe (series) - L. M. Boston
* The Wild Robot – Peter Brown
* A Nest for Celeste - Henry Cole
* The Tale of Despereaux (Newbery) – Kate DiCamillo
* The Magician’s Elephant - Kate DiCamillo
* The Spiderwick Chronicles (series) - Tony DiTerlizzi and Holly Black
* Half Magic (series)- Edward Eager
* Ophelia and the Marvelous Boy – Karen Foxlee
* Toad Rage (series) - Morris Gleitzman
* The 13-Story Treehouse (series) – Andy Griffiths
* Mr. and Mrs. Bunny - Detectives Extraordinaire! (sequel) - Polly Horvath
* The Secret of the Old Clock (Nancy Drew Mystery Series) – Carolyn Keene
* Princess Sonora and the Long Sleep (The Princess Tales series) - Gail Carson Levine
* Nathaniel Fludd Beastologist (series) - R. L. LaFevers
* The People in Pineapple Place (series) - Anne Lindbergh
* The Doll People (series) - Ann Martin
* Toto: the Dog-gone Amazing Story of the Wizard of Oz – Michael Morpurgo
* Secrets at Sea - Richard Peck
* Nuts to You – Lynne Rae Perkins
* Harry Potter (series) - J.K. Rowling
* Rowan of Rin (series) - Emily Rodda
* The Time Warp Trio (series) - Jon Scieszka

**Nonfiction**

* Childhood of Famous Americans (any title) - Aladdin Paperbacks
* Australian Animals (other titles) - Caroline Arnold
* The Journey That Saved Curious George - Louise Borden
* Grand Canyon (Caldecott) – Jason Chin
* Who Is –Who Was – What Was… Biography Series – Grosset & Dunlap
* Science Comics (series) – Andy Hirsch and various authors
* Animals by the Numbers (other titles) – Steve Jenkins
* Volcano (other titles) - Patricia Lauber
* Sally Ride – Sue Macy
* Swimming with Hammerhead Sharks (other titles) - Kenneth Mallory
* Encounter the Saints (series) - Pauline Books and Media
* Tricky Vic: The Impossibly True Story of the Man Who Sold the Eiffel Tower – Greg Pizzoli
* Saturn (other titles) - Seymour Simon
* Joan of Arc - Diane Stanley
* Some Writer! The Story of E. B. White – Melissa Sweet

**Myths/Fairy Tales/Poetry**

* Aesop’s Fables – Aesop
* D’Aulaire’s Book of Greek Myths - Ingri & Edgar Parin D’Aulaire
* The Death of the Hat (other titles) - Paul Janeczko
* Brave Red, Smart Frog – Emily Jenkins
* The McElderry Book of Greek Myths - Eric Kimmel
* Pinocchio: In His Own Words – Michael Morpurgo
* American Tall Tales - Mary Pope Osborne
* A Pizza the Size of the Sun – Jack Prelutsky
* Cut From the Same Cloth - Robert D. San Souci
* Where the Sidewalk Ends (other titles) - Shel Silverstein
* Mirror Mirror: A Book of Reversible verse (other titles) – Marilyn Singer
* What Are You Glad About? What Are You Mad About? – Judith Viorst
* Gone Fishing (sequel) – Jamara Wissinger

**For the first week of school, Fourth Graders**

**are asked to:**

1. Have read at least **four** of the recommended books from the list. Books listed represent different reading levels, some more challenging than others. Many books are available in audiobook and e-book if preferred.
2. Turn in a list of summer reading with parental signature, including the title and author of each selection. Substitutions may be made with parental permission.

**You will receive special fourth grade tickets for each book you read.**