**GRADE 2 Recommended Reading**

**Fiction**Young Cam Jansen (series) - David Adler   
Anna Hibiscus (other titles) - Atinuke  
Ivy and Bean (series) - Annie Barrows  
Ada Twist, Scientist (other titles) – Andrea Beaty  
Wagon Wheels - Barbara Brenner  
Flat Stanley (series) - Jeff Brown   
The Golly Sisters (series) - Betsy Byars   
Spunky Tells All - Ann Cameron   
The Catcher’s Mask: A Peach Street Mudders Story (series) - Matt Christopher  
The Trouble with Chickens: A J. J. Tully Mystery - Doreen Cronin  
The Chicken Squad (series) – Doreen Cronin  
Diary of a Worm (series) - Doreen Cronin   
Stanley and Me (series) – Christine Dencer   
Mercy Watson (series) - Kate DiCamillo   
Iris and Walter (series) - Elissa Haden Guest   
The Princess in Black (series) – Shannon Hale  
Bramble and Maggie (series) – Jesse Haas  
Benny and Penny (series) - Geoffrey Hayes  
Penny and Her Song (series) – Kevin Henkes  
Houndsley and Catina (series) - James Howe  
The Horse in Harry’s Room - Sid Hoff  
Riverside Kids (series) - Johanna Hurwitz  
Invisible Inkling (sequel) - Emily Jenkins  
Nine Lives of Aristotle - Dick King-Smith  
Horrible Harry (series) - Suzy Kline  
Ling and Ting (series) - Grace Lin  
Frog and Toad (series) - Arnold Lobel  
Sarah, Plain and Tall (series) - Patricia MacLachlan  
Fox and His Friends (series) - James Marshall  
Battle for St. Michaels - Emily Arnold McCully  
Triple Pet Trouble (series) – Megan McDonald  
Backyard Camp-Out (series) – Jerdine Nolen  
Magic Tree House (series) - Mary Pope Osborne  
Piper Green (series) – Ellen Potter  
High-Rise Private Eyes (series) - Cynthia Rylant   
Henry and Mudge (series) - Cynthia Rylant  
Mister Putter and Tabby (series) – Cynthia Rylant  
Like Pickle Juice on a Cookie (series) - Julie Sternberg

Lulu and the Brontosaurus (series) – Judith Viorst  
Elephant and Piggie series – Mo Willems

**Nonfiction**Queen of the Falls – Chris van Allsburg  
Trombone Shorty – Troy Andrews  
Caroline Arnold’s Animals (series) - Caroline Arnold  
Sharks (Fly Guy Presents) -Tedd Arnold  
Snakes (other titles)- Nic Bishop  
Flight: The Journey of Charles Lindbergh - Robert Burleigh  
Magic School Bus (series) - Joanna Cole  
Elizabeth, Queen of the Seas – Lynne Cox  
I (Don’t) Like Snakes – Nicola Davies  
Giant Squid – Candace Fleming  
Locomotive (Caldecott) – Brian Floca  
Never Smile at a Monkey (other titles) – Steve Jenkins  
Snowflake Bentley (Caldecott) - Jacqueline Martin  
Finding Winnie (Caldecott) - Lindsay Mattick  
Amelia and Eleanor Go for a Ride – Pam Munoz Ryan  
Cats (other titles) – Seymour Simon  
So You Want to Be President? – Judith St. George

**Folk Tales/ Fairy Tales**Why Mosquitoes Buzz in People’s Ears (Caldecott) - Verna Aardema  
Once a Mouse (Caldecott) - Marcia Brown  
Bloom – Doreen Cronin  
The Gingerbread Boy - Paul Galdone  
Anansi the Spider (Caldecott) - Gerald McDermott  
Jabuti the Tortoise - Gerald McDermott  
The Talking Eggs - Robert D. San Souci  
Squids Will Be Squids – Jon Scieszka

**Poetry**Tomie dePaola’s Book of Poems – Tomie dePaola  
Shiver Me Timbers (other titles) – Douglas Florian  
When Green Becomes Tomatoes – Julie Fogliano  
Firefly July – Paul Janeczko  
When We Were Young (other titles) – A. A. Milne  
The Frog Wore Red Suspenders (other titles) - Jack Prelutsky  
Where the Sidewalk Ends (other titles) - Shel Silverstein  
Runny Babbit: a Silly Book (other titiles) - Shel Silverstein

**For the first week of school, Second Graders are asked to:**

1. Have read at least **twelve** books. Books listed represent different reading levels, with some more challenging than others.
2. Turn in a list of summer reading, signed by parents, including the title and author of each selection. Substitutions may be made with permission of parents.