**GRADE 4 Recommended Reading**

**Realistic Fiction**  
The Penderwicks (series) – Jane Birdsall  
The Lemonade War (series) - Jacqueline Davies  
Because of Winn-Dixie - 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  
Little House in the Big Woods (series) – Laura Ingalls Wilder  
Dear America Series (any title) - Scholastic Books  
Childhood of Famous American Series – Various Authors

**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 – 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   
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  
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  
Who Is –Who Was – What Was… Biography Series – Grosset & Dunlap  
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  
The McElderry Book of Greek Myths - Eric Kimmel  
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. After reading four books from the list, substitutions may be made with permission of parents.
2. Turn in a list of summer reading signed by parents including the title and author. **You will receive special fourth grade tickets for each book you read.**