

A Letter From the Saugus Reading Teachers

The purpose of Summer Reading is to ensure that all children read throughout the summer to maintain the skills taught during the academic year. Continued reading practice will help your child successfully take on the challenges that wait in September! We have collaborated with the Saugus Public Library staff to compile a booklist with interesting and exciting stories. The list this year once again has a specific focus we believe will engage, inform and prepare your child; however, your child may read whatever is appropriate and interesting for him/her. Each child was given 3 book review forms at the close of the school year.

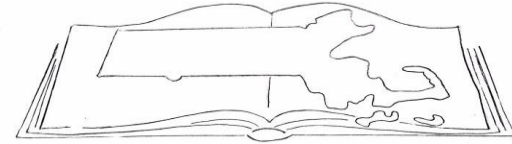
Forms should be turned in to the classroom teacher by

Thursday, September 7th.

Students who complete their Summer Reading requirements will be acknowledged in September. You will find extra copies of the forms at the Saugus Town Library, as well as on the Saugus Public School's website.

***Some books** will be available through the public library, but you may need to seek additional sources, so start early!

Incoming 4th and 5th Grades



Saugus Public Schools

Suggested Summer Reading List

Our Summer Reading is focused on our great state of **Massachusetts.**

The enclosed suggestions spotlight Massachusetts history and locations, and we encourage you to enjoy 3 (or more!) of these selections.

All children are encouraged to read for **20 minutes each day**, and all children are required to write **3 quick book reviews** (at least **1 book must be about the American Revolution.**)

Turn in completed reviews to your teacher by

Thursday, September 7th

-be sure your name, school, and grade are filled in!

- Chose at least **ONE** from either **American Revolution** list as your **MUST READ**.

American Revolution Lists:

- Be sure to record it on the Revolution book review form!

Non-Fiction:

Let it Begin Here! Lexington & Concord; *Dennis Brindell Fradin*
 What was The Boston Tea Party? ; *Kathleen Krull*
 King George: What Was His Problem?; *Steve Sheinkin*
 Paul Revere: Midnight Rider; *Ellen Dreyer*
 Who Was Paul Revere; *Roberta Edwards*
 Who Was Betsy Ross; *James Buckley*
 Who Was Abigail Adams?; *True Kelley*
 George VS. George; *Rosalyn Schanzer*
 Electric Ben; *Robert Bryd*
 Liberty! How The Revolutionary War Began; *Lucille Recht Penner*
 The Founding Fathers :Creators of The United States; *John Malam*
 Crispus Attucks: Black Leader of Colonial Patriots; *Dharathula H. Millender*

Fiction

Judy Moody Declares Independence; *Megan McDonald*
 Magic Tree House: Revolutionary War on Wednesday; *Mary Pope Osborne & Natalie Pope Osborne*
 The Fighting Ground; *Avi*
 Ben and Me: An Astonishing Life of Benjamin Franklin by His Good Mouse Amos; *Robert Lawson*
 Attack of the Turtle; *Drew Carlson*
 My Brother Sam is Dead; *James Collier*
 The Journal Of William Thomas Emerson, a Revolutionary War Patriot; *Barry Denenberg*
 Johnny Tremain; *Esther Forbes*
 Guns for General Washington; *Seymour Reit*
 The Fifth Of March: A Story of Boston Massacre; *Ann Rinaldi*
 The Scarlet Stocking Spy; *Trinka Hakes Noble*
 Colonial Voices: Hear Them Speak(poetry); *Kay Winters*
 Sleds on Boston Common; *Louise Borden*
 Yankee Doodle and the Secret Society; *J.J. Bolin*

Massachusetts Suggested Lists:

- Be sure to record it on Massachusetts form!

MA History and Famous People

What Were The Salem Witch Trials?; *Joan Holub*
 The Wampanoag; *Kevin Cunningham*
 Tom Brady; *Jeff Savage*
 Who Was John F. Kennedy?; *Jona Zeldis McDonough*
 Who Was Dr. Suess?; *Janet Pascal & Nancy Harrison*
 Growing Up Pedro; *Matt Tavares*
 Letting Swift River Go; *Jane Yolen*
 The Landing Of The Pilgrims; *James Daugherty*
 Hoop Genius: How a Desperate Teacher and a Rowdy Gym Class Invented Basketball; *John Coy*
 The Great Molasses Flood: Boston 1919; *Deborah Kops*
 Helen Keller's Teacher; *Margaret Davidson*
 The Lowell Mill Girls; *Alice K. Flanagan*
 If You Sailed on the Mayflower in 1620; *Ann McGovern*
 There Goes Ted Williams; *Matt Tavares*
 Becoming Babe Ruth; *Matt Tavares*
 Jack's Path of Courage: The Life of John F. Kennedy; *Doreen Rappaport*

MA Settings and Historical Background

The Children of the Morning Light: Wampanoag Tales as Told By Monitonquat; *Medicine Story*
 Dear America: I Walk In Dread: The Diary of Deliverence Trembly, Witness To The Salem Witch Trials, Massachusetts Bay Colony 1691; *Lisa Rowe Fraustino*
 The 13th Floor: A Ghost Story; *Sid Fleischman*
 The Boy who Fell Off the Mayflower; *P.J. Lynch*
 Vanished; *Sheela Chari*
 The Fledgling; *Jane Langton*
 So Far From Home: The Diary of Mary Driscoll, An Irish Mill Girl; *Barry Denenberg*
 Joshua's Song; *Joan Hiatt Harlow*
 A Place for Joey; *Carol Flynn Harris*
 Alvin Ho: Allergic to Girls, School and Other Scary Things; *Lenore Look*
 How I, Nicky Flynn, Finally Get a Life and a Dog; *Art Corriveau*
 The Penderwicks; *Jeanne Birdsall*