** Rising 2nd and 3rd Graders**

**Book Recommendations**

Students can be on very different reading levels entering second grade. Choose books that fit your child and that are not frustrating to read. Although second graders should be reading some books independently, parents should continue to read higher level and high interest books to promote a love of reading. Most third graders are comfortable reading chapter books and have developed genre preferences. It is important for them to read what they enjoy, but occasionally encourage your child to read something different and offer opportunities to read nonfiction text.

**Informational and Fictional Picture Books: Graphic Novels and Chapter Books:**

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| Out of Wonder: Poems Celebrating Poets by Kwame Alexander with Chris Colderley and Marjory Wentworth | Sparks by Ian Boothby |
| Zoo in the Sky: A Book of Animal Constellations | Binky the Space Cat by Ashley Spires |
| Drawn Together by Minh Le | The Princess in Black by Shannon and Dean Hale |
| Julian is a Mermaid by Jessica Love | Fly Guy Presents: Space by Tedd Arnold |
| I’m Trying to Love Spiders by Bethany Barton | Rosie Revere and the Raucous Riveters by Andrea Beaty |
| Bookjoy, Wordjoy by Pat Mora | Meet Yasmin by Saadia Faruqi |
| Counting on Katherine: How Katherine Johnson Saved Apollo 13 by Helaine Becker | Zoey and Sassafrass: Dragons and Marshmallows |
| Mae Among the Stars by Roda Ahmed | The Alien Next Door: The New Kid by A.I. Newton |
| Potato Pants! By Laurie Keller | Ricky Ricotta’s Mighty Robot by Dav Pilkey |
| The Slime Book: All you Need to Know to Make the Perfect Slime by DK Children | Sarai and the Meaning of Awesome by Sarai Gonzalez |
| The Stuff of Stars by Marion Dane Bauer | CatStronauts by Drew Brockington |
| Tiger Vs. Nightmare | Magic on the Map Let’s Mooove by Courtney Sheinmel |
| A Voyage in the Clouds by Matthew Olshan | Real Friends by Shannon Hale |
| Six Dots by Jenn Bryant | Mighty Jack and the Goblin King by Ben Hatke |
| The Fox in the Library by Lorenz Pauli | Frankie Sparks and the Class Pet by Nadja Sarell |
| Rufus: The Bat Who Loved Colors by Tom | Polly Diamond and the Super Stunning Spectacular School Fair by Alice Kuipers |

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