# Mrs. MacVicar's Suggestions for Summer Reading Grades 3-4

# Alexander, Zeno. The Library of Ever.

Lenora is having a very frustrating summer while her parents have adventures around the globe—until she discovers a strange doorway in her local library. It leads to the Library—the ultimate library, filled with all the knowledge of the universe. **Read also:** <u>Rebel in the Library of Ever</u>

#### Bondor-Stone, Annabeth. Jaclyn Hyde.

In this heartwarming and hilarious reimagining of The Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde, a secret potion accidentally turns eager-to-please eighth grader Jaclyn into Jackie, a goblin-like monster who'll do anything to win at everything she does—no matter how much chaos she creates along the way.

#### Bowling, Dusty. Insignificant Events in the Life of a Cactus.

Aven Green loves to tell people that she lost her arms in an alligator wrestling match, or a wildfire in Tanzania, but the truth is she was born without them. But Aven's about to discover she can do it all...even without arms. **Read also:** <u>The Momentous Events in the Life of a Cactus</u>

#### Grabenstein, Chris. Mr. Lemoncello's All-Star Breakout Game.

Greetings, boys and girls, gamers of all ages--are you ready to play Mr. Lemoncello's BIGGEST, most dazzling game yet? After months of anticipation, Mr. Lemoncello is taking his games out of the library and going LIVE across the nation on the world-famous Kidzapalooza Television Network! **Read also:** any book in the Mr. Lemoncello's Library series

# Guterson, Ben. Winterhouse.

Orphan Elizabeth Somers's malevolent guardians ship her away over the holiday break to the Winterhouse Hotel owned by the mysterious Norbridge Falls. Upon arrival, Elizabeth quickly discovers that Winterhouse has many charms—most notably its massive library. It's not long before she locates a magical book of puzzles that will unlock a mystery.

# Gubler, Matthew Gray. <u>Rumple Buttercup: the story of bananas, belonging, and being</u> <u>yourself.</u>

Rumple Buttercup has 5 crooked teeth, 3 strands of hair, green skin, and his left foot is slightly bigger than his right. He is weird. Join him and Candy Corn Carl (his imaginary friend made of trash) as they learn the joy of individuality as well as the magic of belonging.

# Haddix, Margaret Peterson. The Strangers (Greystone Secrets #1).

What makes you you? The Greystone kids thought they knew. They've been a happy family, just the three of them and their mom. But everything changes when reports of three kidnapped children reach the Greystone kids, and they're shocked by the startling similarities between themselves and these complete strangers. **Read also:** <u>The Deceivers (Greystone Secrets #2)</u>,

# Hatke, Ben. Mighty Jack and Zita the Space Girl.

Jack and Lilly are no strangers to heroics. They've befriended dragons, battled giants, and even earned the loyalty of a goblin army. So when they meet Zita the Spacegirl, they're more than ready for another adventure. **Read also:** any book in the Mighty Jack or Zita the Space Girl series

#### Healy, Christopher. The Treacherous Seas (A Perilous Journey of Danger and Mayhem book 2).

It's 1883—only a few months after Molly Pepper; her mother, Cassandra; and her friend, Emmett, saved New York from an attack by the megalomaniacal Ambrose Rector while managing to preserve the reputations of Alexander Graham Bell and Thomas Edison. **Read also:** <u>The Hero's Guide to</u> <u>Saving Your Kingdom</u> (book 1 in the series)

#### Kinney, Jeff. Diary of an Awesome Friendly Kid.

Get ready for a whole new look into Jeff Kinney's Diary of a Wimpy Kid! Introducing the newest Wimpy Kid author—Rowley Jefferson! It's finally time for readers to hear directly from Rowley in a journal of his own.

#### Korman, Gordan. <u>The Unteachables</u>.

The Unteachables' never thought they'd find a teacher who had a worse attitude than they did. And Mr. Kermit never thought he would actually care about teaching again. **Read also:** Swindle series, <u>Supergifted</u>, <u>Restart</u>, Masterminds series, <u>Slaker</u>, <u>Ungifted</u>, Hypnotists series

#### Libenson, Terri. Becoming Brianna.

Middle school is full of challenges. Everyone knows how much brainy Bri likes the spotlight (not). So why did she ever agree to something that forces her to learn a new language, give a speech, help organize a party, and juggle drama at school and home?! **Read also:** <u>Invisible Emmy</u>, <u>Positively Izzy</u>, <u>Just Jamie</u>

#### Medina, Meg. Merci Suarez Changes Gears.

Merci Suarez knew that sixth grade would be different, but she had no idea just how different. For starters, Merci has never been like the other kids at her private school in Florida, because she and her older brother, Roli, are scholarship students. 2019 Newbery Winner

#### Otheguy, Emma. Silver Meadows Summer.

Eleven-year-old Carolina's summer—and life as she knows it—is upended when Papi loses his job, and she and her family must move from Puerto Rico to her Tia Cuca and Uncle Porter's house in upstate New York.

# Rundell, Katherine. <u>The Good Thieves.</u>

In 1920s New York City, a young girl with a deformed foot recruits her new friends, a female pickpocket and two circus performers, to help recover an emerald from her grandfather's mansion in upstate New York after he loses his home to an unscrupulous tycoon.

# Woodrow, Allan. The Curse of the Werepenguin.

All orphan Bolt Wattle has ever wanted was to find his true family. When a mysterious baron in far-off Brugaria sends for Bolt, he wonders if he's getting closer to finding his long-lost parents. **Read also:** <u>Revenge of the Werepenguin</u>

Favorite Authors				
Dan Gutman	Lois Lowry	Sharon Creech	Grace Lin	
Kate DiCamillo	Andrew Clements	Rick Riordan	J.K. Rowling	
Roald Dahl	Stuart Gibbs	Lemony Snicket	Megan McDonald	
Matt Christopher	Shel Silverstein	Meg Cabot	Raina Telgemeier	
Chris Grabenstein	Jennifer Holm	Gary Paulsen	Wendy Mass	
Trenton Lee Stewart	Katherine Applegate	Kathi Applet	Richard Peck	

Favorite Series				
Land of Stories	Chasing Vermeer	Baby Mouse	Dog Man	
Harry Potter	Treasure Hunters	Origami Yoda	Stink	
Goddess Girls	39 Clues	Smile	Percy Jackson	
Magic Misfits	Gooney Bird Greene	Never Girls	Goddess Girls	
Swindle	Wing and Claw	Hamster Princess	l Funny	
Baby-sitters Club	Series of Unfortunate Events	World According to Humphrey	Last Kids On Earth	
Spy School	Gather Sisters	Book Scavengers	The Familiars	
Mysterious Benedict Society	Interactive History Adventure	Nathan Hale's Hazardous Tales	Fun Jungle	
The Penderwicks	Magisterium	The Lightning Catcher	Dactyl Hill Squad	