

Washington Drive Primary School Suggested Picture Book Favorites

The books listed below represent a sampling of all the wonderful children's literature that is available at libraries and book stores. New books are continually being published, so look for other picture book favorites.

Ask Mr. Bear	Marjorie Flack
Blueberries for Sal	Robert McCloskey
Corduroy	Don Freeman
Curious George	H. A. Rey
Doctor DeSoto	William Steig
Five Little Monkeys Jumping on the Bed	Eileen Christelow
Harry, the Dirty Dog	Gene Zion
If You Give a Mouse a Cookie	Laura J. Numeroff
Leo the Late Bloomer	Robert Kraus
Little Blue and Little Yellow	Leo Lionni
Lyle, Lyle, Crocodile	Bernard Waber
Mouse Paint	Ellen S. Walsh
Mitten (The)	Jan Brett
Mr. Gumpy's Outing	John Burningham
Napping House (The)	Audrey Wood
Office Buckle and Gloria	Peggy Rathman
Peter's Chair	Ezra Jack Keats
Rosie's Walk	Pat Hutchins
Snowy Day (The)	Ezra Jack Keats
Strega Nona	Tomie dePaola
Sylvester and the Magic Pebble	William Steig
Tale of Peter Rabbit (The)	Beatrix Potter
There's a Nightmare in My Closet	Mercer Mayer
Very Hungry Caterpillar (The)	Eric Carle
We're Going on a Bear Hunt	Michael Rosen
Where the Wild things Are	Maurice Sendak

Rhyming Books

Rhyming books are recommended to help children begin to hear sounds in words.

Chicken Soup with Rice

I know an Old Lady Who Swallowed a Fly

One Fish Two Fish Red Fish Blue Fish

Time for Bed

To Market, To Market

Maurice Sendak

Nadine Bernard Westcott

Dr. Seuss

Mem Fox

Anne Miranda

Alphabet Books

Alphabet books are recommended to help children develop familiarity with letters and sounds through clear picture and word association.

Firefighters A to Z

Matthew A.B.C.

The Handmade Alphabet

Tomorrow's Alphabet

* Any alphabet book written by Jerry Pallotta

Chris L. Demarest

Peter Catalanotto

Laura Rankin

George Shannon

Wordless Books

Wordless books are recommended as they enable children to develop their own interpretation of a story.

Do You Want to Be My Friend?

Four Hungry Kittens

Good Dog, Carl

Good Night, Gorilla

Museum Trip

Eric Carle

Emily Arnold McCully

Alexandra Day

Peggy Rathmann

Barbara Lehman

Traditional Literature

Traditional tales are recommended as they are among the most memorable in children's literature. There are many versions of these favorite stories. This genre includes folktales, fairy tales, fables, and more!

Henny Penny

Teeny Tiny Woman

The Hare and the Tortoise

The Three Billy Goats Gruff

The Little Red Hen

H. Werner Zimmermann

Paul Galdone

Helen Ward

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Poetry

Poetry is recommended to be read aloud and enjoyed together.

Laugh-eteria

The New Kid on the Block

The Random House Book of Poetry for Children

Where the Sidewalk Ends

You Read to Me, I'll Read to You

Douglas Florian

Jack Prelutsky

Jack Prelutsky

Shel Silverstein

Mary Ann Hoberman

Nonfiction

Another genre to explore is nonfiction. Nonfiction books are recommended so that children may learn more about areas of personal interest such as animals, sports, families, biographies, hobbies, and more.

