



## Riverdale School Library



### Recommended Titles for Students entering grades 2 & 3 - Summer 2011

\*All titles are available at the Riverdale Public Library or the M.A.I.N. library system.

**Adler, David - Cam Jansen and the Secret Service (series)**

Cam and her friend Danny help solve the mystery of a stolen pearl necklace when the governor comes to visit their school for the dedication of the new library.

**Cuyler, Margery - From Here to There**

A little girl travels from the comforts of her own home to the far reaches of the universe. The journey begins in Maria's house and then moves outward to the street, town, country, continent, hemisphere, planet, solar system, galaxy, and, finally, the universe.

**Danziger, Paula - Amber Brown is not a Crayon (series)**

The year she is in the third grade is a sad time for Amber because her best friend Justin is getting ready to move to a distant state.

**Fine, Edith Hope - Armando & the Blue Tarp School**

Armando and his father are trash-pickers in Tijuana, Mexico, but when Senor David brings his "school"--a blue tarp set down near the garbage dump--to their neighborhood, Armando's father decides that he must attend classes and learn. Based on a true story.

**Gutman, Dan - Ms. Krup Cracks Me Up! (My Weird School series)**

A.J.'s teacher, Ms. Krup, helps make the class sleepover at the natural history museum fun and exciting.

**Hogrogrian, Nonny - One Fine Day**

After the old woman cuts off his tail when he steals her milk, the fox must go through a long series of transactions before she will sew it back on again.

**Holm, Jennifer - Babymouse - Dragonslayer (series)**

An imaginative mouse who likes to read heroic fantasy novels finds herself on the school math team as it prepares to compete for the coveted Golden Slide Rule.

**Javaherbin, Mina - Goal!**

In a dangerous alley in a township in South Africa, the strength and unity which a group of young friends feel while playing soccer keep them safe when a gang of bullies arrives to cause trouble.

**Kimmel, Eric A - Anansi and the Moss-Covered Rock**

Anansi the Spider uses a strange moss-covered rock in the forest to trick all the other animals, until Little Bush Deer decides he needs to learn a lesson.

**Look, Lenore - Ruby Lu, Empress of Everything (series)**

After Ruby Lu's deaf cousin, Flying Duck, and her parents come from China to live with her, Ruby finds life challenging as she adjusts to her new family, tries to mend her rocky relationship with her friend Emma, and faces various adventures in summer school.

**Mora, Pat - Pablo's Tree**

Each year on his birthday, a young Mexican American boy looks forward to seeing how his grandfather has decorated the tree he planted on the day the boy was adopted.

**Mortenson, Greg - Listen to the Wind: The Story of Dr. Greg and the Three Cups of Tea**

A children's book that tells the story of Dr. Greg Mortenson's promise to build a school in a remote Himalayan village after the villagers saved his life.

**Osborne, Mary Pope - A Crazy Day with Cobras (Magic Tree House series)**

The magic tree house whisks Jack and Annie to India during the Mogul Empire in the 1600s to search for an emerald needed to break a magic spell.

**Paul, Ann Whitford - Manana Iguana**

Iguana, Conejo, Tortuga, and Culebra are excited about having a spring party, but only Iguana is willing to do any of the work.

**Roy, Ron - A to Z Mysteries (series)**

Follow Dink and his two friends, Josh and Ruth Rose as they search for clues and solve mysteries from A to Z.

**Ruurs, Margriet - My School in the Rain Forest \*non fiction**

In this lively photo essay, readers get to know students--from the arid plains of Afghanistan to the rain forests of Guatemala--who are pursuing their dreams of a brighter future.

**Schachner, Judy - Skippyjon Jones: Lost in Spice (series)**

Skippyjon Jones, the Siamese cat that thinks he is a Chihuahua dog, has an adventure on Mars.

**Simon, Francesca - Horrid Henry (series)**

Horrid Henry causes his brother Perfect Peter all sorts of problems when he behaves properly for a change, upstages Peter at a dance recital, plays pirates, and goes on a camping trip.

**Thaler, Mike - The Talent Show from the Black Lagoon (Black Lagoon Adventures)**

A young boy, confused over what to do for the school talent show, makes a big mistake when he shares his problem with his mom who immediately signs him up for piano lessons.

**Yaccarino, Dan - All the Way to America \*non fiction**

The author tells the story of his family's experiences in the United States since his great-grandfather came to America from Italy through Ellis Island.