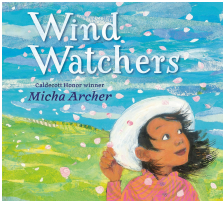
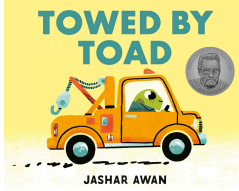
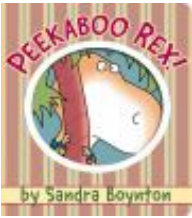

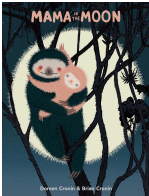

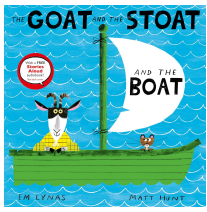

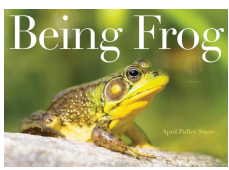
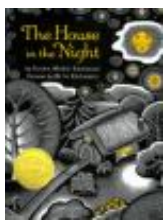

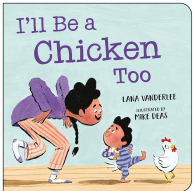



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Birth-PreK/ Kindergarten Board Books & Picture Books

	<p><i>Wind Watchers</i> by Micha Archer</p> <p>Children have fun experiencing the <i>wind's</i> ever-changing nature throughout all the seasons of the year.</p>
	<p><i>Towed by Toad</i> by Jashar Awan</p> <p>Hop on a tow-truck ride with Toad as he learns that everyone needs help sometimes, even the helpers! The first in a new series for fans of Frog and Toad and Little Blue Truck!</p>
	<p><i>Peekaboo Rex!</i> by Sandra Boynton or any book by Sandra Boynton!</p> <p>Follow a lovable T. rex throughout its day as it plays peekaboo with a tiny dinosaur friend. Featuring two adorable dinos and every toddler's favorite hide-and-seek activity, peekaboo!</p>
	<p><i>This is a Window</i> by Lauren Paige Conrad</p> <p>The power of children's imaginations takes center stage in this gorgeous, playful rhyming picture book about a group of kids who build a make-believe world in their homes.</p>
	<p><i>Mama in the Moon</i> by Doreen Cronin</p> <p>A baby sloth experiences a nighttime tumble. As mama sloth slowly makes her way down the tree, she helps him self-soothe by using his senses.</p>
	<p><i>Chirri and Chirra: Under the Sea</i> by Kaya Doi or any CHIRRI AND CHIRRA picture book!</p> <p>Chirri and Chirra bike through the sea and discover all sorts of personalities and treats along the way.</p>





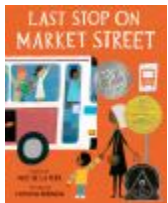
	<p><i>Let's Be Bees</i> by Shawn Harris</p> <p>With bright, bold crayon illustrations, lilting, rhythmic words, and endless fodder for playing along, this is a read-aloud guaranteed to bring on the giggles and requests to do it all again.</p>
	<p><i>A Good Day</i> by Kevin Henkes</p> <p>A bad day can turn into a good one! A bird, a fox, a dog, and a squirrel overcome minor setbacks to have a very <i>good day</i>.</p>
	<p><i>Kitten's First Full Moon</i> by Kevin Henkes</p> <p>When Kitten mistakes the full moon for a bowl of milk, she ends up tired, wet, and hungry trying to reach it.</p>
	<p><i>Bunny Should Be Sleeping</i> by Amy Hest</p> <p>A bedtime book as adorable and warm as two sleepy bunnies. Sure to soothe children dubious about staying in their rooms alone at night, <i>Bunny Should Be Sleeping</i> reminds young readers that they are safe and loved even when the house is dark and quiet.</p>
	<p><i>Before & After</i> by Jean Jullien</p> <p>Graphic artist Jean Jullien insightfully and comically depicts a set of clever and surprising before-and-afters, each progressed by a page turn. Striking the perfect balance of predictability and unexpectedness, this book will leave readers in wonder as they flip back and forth.</p>
	<p><i>Whistle for Willie</i> by Ezra Jack Keats</p> <p>This book colorfully captures Peter's city world and the shimmering heat of a summer's day as the boy tries hard to whistle for his dog.</p>
	<p><i>Home is a Wish</i> by Julia Kuo</p> <p>A deeply moving, gorgeously illustrated picture book about leaving home and finding a new place to fit in, for anyone dealing with a move, to another town or to a new country.</p>

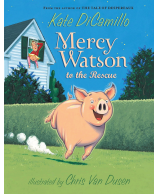


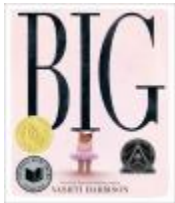


	<p><i>The Goat and the Stoat and the Boat</i> by Em Lynas</p> <p>A raucous, rhyming tale that will have children (and adults) in fits of laughter!</p>
	<p><i>Mama, is it Summer Yet?</i> by Nikki McClure</p> <p>As spring slowly turns to summer, a little boy builds a fort and plants a garden in impatient anticipation.</p>
	<p><i>Being Frog</i>, by April Pulley Sayre</p> <p>From award-winning author and photographer April Pulley Sayre comes a stunning and moving photographic look at the fascinating lives of frogs.</p>
	<p><i>The House in the Night</i> by Susan Marie Swanson</p> <p>Illustrations and easy-to-read text explore the light that makes a house in the night a home filled with light.</p>
	<p><i>Ursula Upside Down</i> by Corey R. Tabor</p> <p>Children will love turning the book upside down and back again as they follow Ursula's humorous journey to self-discovery.</p>
	<p><i>I'll Be A Chicken Too</i> by Lana Vanderlee</p> <p>Rhyming clues and clever illustrations bring to life the tender and playful moments between caregivers and children that may inspire fun and silliness at home.</p>
	<p><i>Two Together</i> by Brendan Wenzel</p> <p>In rhyming text, Cat and Dog experience many unexpected twists and adventures on their journey home.</p>







Millburn Public Library Summer Reading Recommendations

Grades K-2

Picture Books & Early Chapter Books

	<p><i>Dog Vs. Strawberry</i> by Nelly Buchet</p> <p>A dog and a strawberry find themselves nose to stem in this hilarious picture book that's perfect for dog lovers. An epic battle ensues—who will come out on top?</p>
	<p><i>Spaceman</i> by Randy Cecil</p> <p>When a large bird makes off with his ship, a tiny Spaceman is forced to venture out into this new world—planet Earth—on foot, coming to a pond where he meets a friendly, goofy, slobbery beast and wonders if he's found a new home.</p>
	<p><i>A Letter to My Best Friend</i> by Yangsook Choi</p> <p>In a delightful tale of fostering connection through art, Jihun, new to the United States, receives a school assignment to write a letter to his best friend—but he's not sure how it will turn out.</p>
	<p><i>Our Pool</i> by Lucy Ruth Cummins</p> <p>On a hot day, people come from all over the city to spend the day at the pool in this joyful picture book that's a love song to summer, the city, community, and staying cool!</p>
	<p><i>Last Stop on Market Street</i> by Matt de la Peña</p> <p>A young boy rides the bus across town with his grandmother and learns to appreciate the beauty in everyday things.</p>

	<p><i>Mercy Watson to the Rescue</i> by Kate DiCamillo</p> <p>Welcome to the wry and endearing world of Mercy Watson – an ebullient character for early chapter-book readers in a series that’s destined to be a classic.</p>
	<p><i>Ava Lin, Best Friend</i> by Vicky Fang</p> <p>Ava Lin is six and a half years old, loves bubble tea and animals, and is very good at finding treasure and balancing pasta on her nose. And tomorrow is the first day of first grade! In first grade, Ava is sure she is going to find a best friend. When her efforts land her in some sticky (and funny) situations, Ava always manages to wiggle her way out of her mishaps.</p>
	<p><i>Teeny-Weeny Unicorn</i> by Shawn Harris</p> <p>The teeny-weeny unicorn feels like the world is not made for his small stature and one day it bothers him so much he runs off, but soon after meeting a salty gnome he starts to wonder if he might just be the right size after all.</p>
	<p><i>Big</i> by Vashti Harrison</p> <p>Praised for acting like a big girl when she is small, as a young girl grows, "big" becomes a word of criticism, until the girl realizes that she is fine just the way she is.</p>
	<p><i>The Girl and the Mermaid</i> by Holly Hughes</p> <p>Alina worries as her grandmother's memories fade, but when she meets a mermaid who takes her on an adventure everything changes.</p>
	<p><i>Fluffle Bunnies: Buns Gone Bad (graphic novel)</i> by Anna Humphrey</p> <p>Three bunnies are left without their mother when she goes off to Brazil to learn jujitsu. With quick thinking, ingenuity and maybe a little bit of raccoon manipulation, these three buns will take on all comers to be the rulers of the park. Will they win?</p>

	<p><i>I Want My Hat Back</i> by Jon Klassen</p> <p>A bear almost gives up his search for his missing hat until he remembers something important.</p>
	<p><i>The Bakery Dragon</i> by Devin Elle Kurtz</p> <p>Ember, a small dragon with an unimpressive roar, fears he will never be as good at stealing gold as other dragons, but discovers a different path to joy after a chance encounter with a baker.</p>
	<p><i>The Kids in Mrs. Z's Class: Rohan Murthy Has a Plan</i> by Rajani LaRocca (see J SERIES KIDS for all titles in series, can be read in any order!)</p> <p>With plans to start a pet-sitting business, third-grader Rohan practices taking care of animals by taking home Honey, the class guinea pig, but when she escapes her cage, Rohan realizes he might be in over his head.</p>
	<p><i>See the Dog: Three Stories About a Cat</i> by David LaRochelle or <i>See the Cat: Three Stories About a Dog!</i></p> <p>Max the dog is sick today, but have no fear - Baby Cakes the cat is happy to take his place! But when the book tells her to dig a hole, fetch a stick, and guard the sheep, the cat responds in very un-doglike ways.</p>
	<p><i>Ling & Ting: Not Exactly the Same!</i> by Grace Lin</p> <p>Ling and Ting are two adorable identical twins, and they stick together, whether they are making dumplings, getting their hair cut, or practicing magic tricks. But looks are deceiving--people can be very different, even if they look exactly the same.</p>
	<p><i>Days with Frog and Toad</i> by Arnold Lobel or any FROG AND TOAD books!</p> <p>Frog and Toad enjoy spending their days together. They fly kites, celebrate Toad's birthday, and share the shivers when Frog tells a scary story. Most of all, they have fun together—every day of the year.</p>







	<p><i>A Pocket Full of Rocks</i> by Kristin Mahoney</p> <p>A sweet and soulful celebration of how a child's imagination can transform ordinary objects into extraordinary treasures.</p>
	<p><i>The Way Home in the Night</i> by Akiko Miyakoshi</p> <p>A mother rabbit and her young bunny are on their way home in the dark night.</p>
	<p><i>Safe Crossing</i> by Kari Percival</p> <p>Every spring, frogs and salamanders must travel from wooded uplands to vernal pools where they were born, now to mate. Many never reach their destinations. But with the help of the Amphibian Migration Team, there is hope for a safe crossing!</p>
	<p><i>Heatwave</i> by Lauren Redniss</p> <p>An almost unbearably hot day of one hundred degrees is transformed as raindrops fall one by one, culminating in a downpour.</p>
	<p><i>Hot Dog</i> by Doug Salati</p> <p>A summery picture book about mindfulness, featuring an overheated--and overwhelmed-- canine in need of sea, sand, and fresh air.</p>
	<p><i>Mole is Not Alone</i> by Maya Tatsukawa</p> <p>Mole anxiously decides to journey through underground tunnels to attend a party. Despite all of his worries, maybe Mole can still find a quiet way to make friends.</p>
	<p><i>The Blue House</i> by Phoebe Wahl</p> <p>Both Leo and his father are angry and sad when their landlord says their old house will be torn down, but soon they find a way to make their new house feel like home.</p>







Millburn Public Library Summer Reading Recommendations

Grades 3-5

Graphic Novels, Nonfiction & Novels

	<p><i>Beti and the Little Round House</i> by Atinuke</p> <p>Beti lives in a little round house in the green woods under the mountains with Mam, Tad, baby Jac, and her very own tiny goat named Naughty. With charming illustrations throughout, this lyrical collection is alive with themes of endurance, friendship, and the power of self-belief.</p>
	<p><i>The Curse of Eelgrass Bog</i> by Mary Averling</p> <p>Dark secrets and unnatural magic abound when a twelve-year-old girl ventures into a bog full of monsters to break a mysterious curse.</p>
	<p><i>Yes! No? Maybe So...: Amazing Answers to More Than 250 Mind-Blowing Questions</i> by Julie Beer</p> <p>Do robots have emotions? What would happen if you jumped into a black hole? Can plants ... <i>hear things</i>? Find the answers to these and even more far-flung questions in this quirky, super-stuffed curiosity quencher.</p>
	<p><i>El Deafo: A Graphic Novel</i> by Cece Bell</p> <p>Starting at a new school is scary, especially with a giant hearing aid strapped to your chest. Cece is sure the other kids are staring at her, but when it turns out she can hear her teacher <i>everywhere</i>, her hearing aid becomes the key to a superpower!</p>
	<p><i>Trapped in a Video Game</i> by Dustin Brady</p> <p>After getting sucked in the new game Full Blast with his friend Eric, Jesse starts to see the appeal of being in the game, but pretty soon, a mysterious figure begins following Eric and Jesse, and they discover they cannot leave the game.</p>

	<p><i>Swim Team: A Graphic Novel</i> by Johnnie Christmas</p> <p>Bree can't wait for her first day at her new middle school, home to the Mighty Manatees—until she's stuck with the only elective that fits her schedule, the dreaded Swim 101. The thought of swimming makes Bree more than a little queasy, yet she's forced to dive headfirst into one of her greatest fears.</p>
	<p><i>Gregor the Overlander</i> by Suzanne Collins</p> <p>This irresistible first novel in a series by Suzanne Collins tells the story of a boy who embarks on a dangerous quest in order to fulfill his destiny -- and find his father -- in a strange world beneath New York City.</p>
	<p><i>The Mona Lisa Vanishes: A Legendary Painter, A Shocking Heist, and the Birth of a Global Celebrity</i> by Nicholas Day</p> <p>A “witty thriller” (<i>The New York Times</i>) about how the <i>Mona Lisa</i> was stolen from the Louvre, how the robbery made the portrait the most famous artwork in the world—and how the painting by Leonardo da Vinci should never have existed at all.</p>
	<p><i>Ferris</i> by Kate DiCamillo</p> <p>A hilarious and heartwarming story about a girl, a ghost, a grandmother, and growing up. Grounded in deep familial bonds, a tight-knit community, and the beautiful idea that every relationship is a love story in its own way.</p>
	<p><i>And Then, Boom!</i> by Lisa Fipps</p> <p>A gripping novel in verse by the author of the Printz Honor-winning <i>Starfish</i>, featuring a poverty-stricken boy who bravely rides out all the storms life keeps throwing at him.</p>
	<p><i>Nathan Hale's Hazardous Tales: Above the Trenches (Graphic Novel)</i> by Nathan Hale</p> <p>Author-illustrator Nathan Hale takes to the skies with the flying aces of World War I to reveal another Hazardous Tale in American history in the #1 <i>New York Times</i> bestselling graphic novel series.</p>

	<p><i>The Unteachables</i> by Gordon Korman</p> <p>A hilarious middle grade novel from beloved and bestselling author Gordon Korman about what happens when the worst class of kids in school is paired with the worst teacher—perfect for fans of <i>Ms. Bixby's Last Day</i>.</p>
	<p><i>National Archive Hunters: Capitol Chase</i> by Matthew Landis</p> <p>Ten-year-old twins Ike and Iris race to find the thief stealing valuable historical artifacts before their family is framed for the crimes.</p>
	<p><i>The Secret Library</i> by Kekla Magoon</p> <p>A page-turning fantasy adventure about family secrets and finding the courage to plot your own life story.</p>
	<p><i>The Wrong Way Home</i> by Kate O'Shaughnessy</p> <p>Twelve-year-old Fern believes she's living a noble life—but what if everything she's been told is a lie? This is a huge-hearted story about a girl learning to question everything—and to trust in herself.</p>
	<p><i>Prairie Lotus</i> by Linda Sue Park</p> <p><i>Prairie Lotus</i> is a powerful, touching, multilayered novel about a girl determined to fit in and realize her dreams: getting an education, becoming a dressmaker in her father's shop, and making at least one friend.</p>
	<p><i>Bog Myrtle: A Graphic Novel</i> by Sid Sharp</p> <p>A weirdly hilarious and witty modern folktale about two sisters, one stubbornly cheerful (Beatrice) and one relentlessly grumpy (Magnolia), who live in a drafty old house with a family of helpful spiders. When Beatrice is gifted magic yarn from a giant forest spider, Magnolia sees an opportunity for profit.</p>

	<p><i>Bomb (Graphic Novel): The Race to Build—and Steal—the World's Most Dangerous Weapon</i> by Steve Sheinkin and Nick Bertozzi</p> <p>A riveting graphic novel adaptation of the award-winning nonfiction book, <i>Bomb</i>—the fascinating and frightening true story of the creation behind the most destructive force that birthed the arms race and the Cold War.</p>
	<p><i>My Presentation Today is about the Anaconda</i> by Bibi Dumon Tak</p> <p>Hilarity ensues when animals give presentations about other animals in this translated Dutch import by two award-winning creators. A brilliant use of anthropomorphic animals, serving up facts and entertainment.</p>
	<p><i>I Survived: The Shark Attacks of 1916</i> by Lauren Tarshis</p> <p>This NJ-focused entry in the <i>I Survived</i> series is based on true events. It's the summer of 1916 and the Jersey shore is being terrorized by a Great White shark. Can 10-year-old Chet and his friends survive a swim in the local creek?</p>
	<p><i>Three Times Lucky (Mo and Dale Mysteries)</i> by Sheila Turnage</p> <p>Rising sixth grader Miss Moses LoBeau lives in the small town of Tupelo Landing, NC. She washed ashore in a hurricane eleven years ago and hopes someday to find her "upstream mother." When a lawman comes to town asking about a murder, Mo sets out to find the truth in hopes of saving the only family Mo has ever known.</p>
	<p><i>Mishka</i> by Edward van de Vendel</p> <p>Roya, her three brothers, and their parents have a new family member — Mishka, a bunny rabbit. He soon becomes a beloved part of their new home and gradually, the rabbit — and also Roya — get to hear the story of the family's journey from Afghanistan to the Netherlands.</p>
	<p><i>A Strange Thing Happened in Cherry Hall</i> by Jasmine Warga</p> <p>An extraordinary story about two friends, a ghost, a missing painting, and a turtle named Agatha. The perfect next read for fans of <i>The Swifts</i>, Kate DiCamillo, and Erin Entrada Kelly.</p>

