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Dear Parents,

Summer is the perfect time for relaxation, recreation and READING! Help your daughter discover the fun of finding books about things she enjoys, and she will grow into a life long reader. Also, your daughter may wish to join your public library summer reading program which will include incentives and special events.

The Lower School Library Suggested Reading List is intended to help guide and encourage a student's reading, and stimulate their imaginations. It highlights notable titles from the past year as well as popular series. Titles are categorized by grade ranges to allow more flexibility in terms of interest level and reading ability. Since the emphasis on summer reading should be personal enjoyment, girls are free to read other books of choice. For more grade-specific title suggestions, we recommend educator Carol Hurst's Children's Literature Site (all grades) which includes reviews of the books she lists.

Visit her site at <http://www.booksintheclassroom.com/allreviewed.php>

Please note that for girls entering grade V there is a separate **Newbery Assignment** that should be started during the summer. Your daughter can use the **Newbery Reading Record** (included within the **Newbery Assignment**) to keep a list of titles and authors as she works toward completing the assignment.

The Lower School Library Staff wishes you and your family a wonderful summer!