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(A PARTHERSHIP PROGRAM bROUght to you by Kensington Intermediate School and the Kensington PTA)

Welcome to 4th grade! Kensington Intermediate School requires you to read at least five (5) books over the summer. We have provided you with several age-appropriate authors and suggested titles to use as a guide when choosing books for summer reading.

Please know that this list is not meant to limit you to only the authors and titles listed. The titles we have selected are only suggestions. If you prefer, you may select additional titles from the public library or local book stores.

On the first day of school in the fall, you will be required to turn in the summer reading bings form attached to this letter. Each student who turns in a summer reading bings sheet, with one "Bings" (vertically, horizontally, or diagonally) will receive their choice of a \$5 Books-a-Million gift card or a free scoop of ice cream from Mitchell's. Prizes have been supplied by our very own Kensington PTA!

Please have a parent or guardian sign the form before you turn it in.

Please be prepared to talk about your favorite book when you come back in the fall. Your teachers are enthusiastic about our reading program at Kensington. We hope you are too! We look forward to working with you next year!

#### AVI

AVI is an American author whose books span several genres including fantasy, realistic fiction, historical fiction, mysteries, and adventure tales. Honored with the Newbery Medal for <u>Crispin: Cross of Lead</u> and a Newbery Honor for <u>Nothing but the Truth</u>, other AVI titles include The True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle and <u>The Man Who Was Poe</u>.

#### **ANDREW CLEMENTS**

Andrew Clements is an American author of books for children. He worked as a teacher before he began his literary career. His well-loved realistic fiction novels include <u>Lunch Money</u>, <u>No Talking</u>, <u>The Report Card</u>, <u>Extra Credit and many more</u>.

#### RICK RIORDAN

Rick Riordan is an American author best known for writing the <u>Percy Jackson \$ the Olympians</u> series. He has also written 3 books on The Heroes of Olympus, which is the sequel to the Percy Jackson series and focuses on Greek and Roman mythology.

## **GARY PAULSEN**

Gary Paulsen is an American writer who writes many young adult coming of age stories about the wilderness. He is the author of more than 200 books, 200 magazine articles, short stories, and several plays that are primarily for young adults and teens.

### **LAUREN TARSHIS**

Lauren Tarshis is the editor of Scholastic's <u>Storyworks</u> and <u>Scope</u> magazines as well as the author of the <u>LSurvived</u> nonfiction series. Fourth graders that are interested in nonfiction typically love her books.

#### **GRACE NORWICH**

Grace Norwich has written many nonfiction books for young readers on a variety of topics, including health, fashion, animals, and more.

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