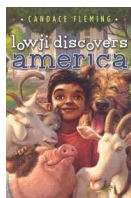


# St. Patrick's Episcopal Day School

## 2020 Summer Reading for Students Entering Grade 4\*

### Required Reading Grade 4

*Lowji Discovers America*



Fleming, Candice

A nine-year-old East Indian boy tries to adjust to his new life in suburban America.

**\*Read at least three more books - one from any of the selections below.**

### Nonfiction



*Follow the Moon Home: A Tale of One Idea, Twenty Kids, and a Hundred Sea Turtles*

Cousteau, Philippe & Hopkinson, Deborah

Viv finds her way in a new place and helps bring together a whole community to save the sea turtles of the South Carolina coast.

*Rock & Roll Highway: The Robbie Robertson Story*

Robertson, Sebastian

Growing up as the child of a Mohawk Indian mother and a Jewish professional gambler, Robbie developed an interest in music that was fueled by reservation storytelling.

*Trees: Kings of the Forest (Science Comics)*

Hirsch, Andy

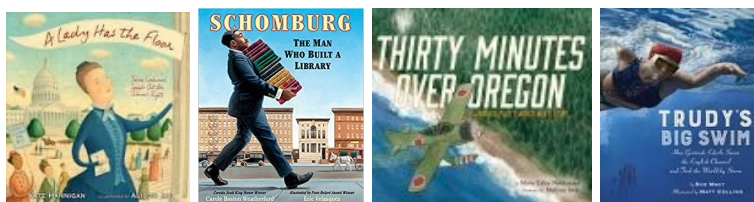
In graphic novel format looks at trees, focusing on their maturation, different types, their roles in the ecosystem, and more.

*We Are the Ship: The Story of Negro League Baseball*

Nelson, Kadir

Explores the history of Negro League baseball teams, discussing owners, players, hardships, wins, and losses; and including illustrations. \*Available in audio through Audible.

### Biographies



<i>Lady Has the Floor, A: Belva Lockwood Speaks Out for Women's Rights</i>	Hannigan, Kate	Belva Lockwood was a teacher, a lawyer (first woman to enter the bar of the U.S. Supreme Court), a suffragist, and a presidential candidate.
<i>Schomburg: The Man Who Built a Library</i>	Weatherford, Carole Boston	The handsome biography of Afro-Puerto Rican Schomburg introduces his efforts to collect and correct the history of the contributions of "Africa's sons and daughters." *Available in audio through Audible.
<i>Thirty Minutes Over Oregon: A Japanese Pilot's World War II Story</i>	Nobleman, Marc Tyler	The true story of Nobuo Fujita, the Japanese pilot who bombed the continental United States during World War II.
<i>Trudy's Big Swim: How Gertrude Ederle Swam the English Channel and Took the World by Storm</i>	Macy, Sue	Biography of Gertrude Ederle on the record-breaking swim that cemented her place in the history of women's sports.

### Historical Fiction



*Book of Boy, The*

Murdock, Catherine Gilbert

In 1350, a boy with a large hump on his back becomes the servant of a shadowy pilgrim on his way to Rome, who pulls the boy into a dangerous expedition across Europe to gather the seven precious relics of Saint Peter. \*Available in audio through Audible and ebook through Overdrive.

*Finding Langston*

Cline-Ransome, Lesa

Discovering a book of Langston Hughes' poetry in the library helps Langston cope with the loss of his mother, relocating from Alabama to Chicago in 1946 as part of the Great Migration, and being bullied. \*Available in audio through Audible

*Lucky Broken Girl*

Behar, Ruth

Ruthie Mizrahi and her family recently emigrated from Castro's Cuba to New York City. Just when she's finally beginning to feel a sense of belonging, she is involved in a car accident with a long hospitalization. \*Available in audio through Audible

*When Mischief Came to Town*

Nannestad, Katrina

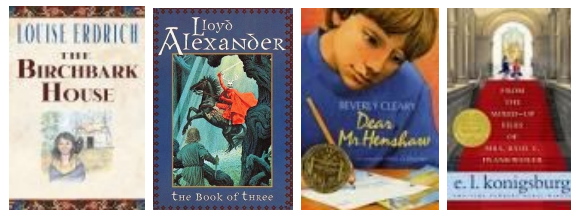
In 1911, when orphaned ten-year-old Inge comes to live with her stern grandmother in a remote island village in Bornholm, Denmark, she ends up changing the climate of the town, bringing joy and laughter to her grandmother's life.

### Realistic Fiction



<i>Blended</i>	Draper, Sharon	Piano-prodigy Isabella, eleven, whose black father and white mother struggle to share custody, never feels whole, especially as racial tensions affect her school, her parents both become engaged, and she and her stepbrother are stopped by police. *Available in audio through Audible.
<i>In the Footsteps of Crazy Horse</i>	Marshall, Joseph	Jimmy travels with his maternal grandfather, Nyles High Eagle, to learn about his Lakota heritage while visiting places significant in the life of Crazy Horse.
<i>Sweeping Up the Heart</i>	Henkes, Kevin	Amelia wants to spend spring break in Florida like all her other classmates, but her father has said no. Now she's stuck at home with him and her babysitter, Mrs. O'Brien. The week ahead promises to be boring, until Amelia meets Casey at her neighborhood art studio. *Available through Audible.
<i>Water Bears</i>	Baker, Kim	Survivor of a bear attack, Newt Gomez struggles with school, being the only Latinx kid on Murphy Island, and self-acceptance. *Available through Audible.

### Classic Books to Read Together



<i>Birchbark House (series)</i>	Erdrich, Louise	Omakayas, a seven-year-old Ojibwa girl, lives through the joys of summer and the perils of winter on an island in Lake Superior in 1847. *Available in audio through Audible.
<i>Chronicles of Prydain, The</i>	Alexander, Lloyd	Prince Gwydion and Taran, Assistant Pig-Keeper, must lead a precarious expedition to recover the most powerful weapon in the kingdom of Prydain from the evil clutches of Arawn-Death-Lord. *Available in audio through DC Public Library's Overdrive.
<i>Dear Mr. Henshaw</i>	Cleary, Beverly	In his letters to his favorite author, Leigh reveals his problems coping with his parents' divorce, being the new kid, and finding his own place in the world. *Available in audio through Audible.
<i>From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler</i>	E.L. Konigsburg	Having run away with her younger brother to live in the Metropolitan Museum of Art, twelve-year-old Claudia strives to keep things in order in their new home. *Available in audio through DC Public Library's Overdrive.

### Sports & Adventure



<i>Batting Order</i>	Lupica, Mike	Twelve-year-old Matt Baker is the best all-rounder on his baseball team, but can he help Big Ben Roberson improve his hitting and stand up to his father? *Available in audio through Audible.
<i>Long Pitch Home</i>	Lorenzi, Natalie Dias	When Bilal's family suddenly moves to America, his father stays in Pakistan, and Bilal embraces baseball. But will Baba ever get to America to see Bilal pitch a game?
<i>Rip and Red (series)</i>	Bildner, Phil	Rip and Red are best friends who love basketball. In fifth grade they also find themselves with a new basketball coach: Mr. Acevedo! Now Rip is knocked completely out of his comfort zone, for Red, who has autism, the changes are even more of a struggle.
<i>STAT: Standing Tall and Talented (series)</i>	Stoudemire, Amar'e	Sports lovers will enjoy the basketball action in this series based on the author's growing up experience and later life as an NBA player.

### Fantasy & Science Fiction



<i>Dash of Trouble, A (Love Sugar Magic series)</i>	Meriano, Anna	Leonora Logrona discovers her sisters and mother are not just bakers but also brujas and tries to prove herself as good as them by helping a friend. *Available in audio through Audible.
<i>Jupiter Storm</i>	Dumas, Marti	Jackie excels at being in charge. So, when a curious chrysalis appears in Jackie's front yard, she naturally decides to take charge of it. The creature that emerges is not like anything Jackie has ever seen, and she soon realizes that she must protect it at all costs, even from her own family. *Available in audio through Audible.
<i>Last Last-Day-of-Summer, The</i>	Giles, Lamar	When adventurous cousins Otto and Sheed Alston accidentally extend the last day of summer by freezing time, they find the secrets between the unmoving seconds are not as much fun as they expected. *Available in audio through Audible.
<i>Wings of Fire (series)</i>	Sutherland, Tui	The seven dragon tribes have been at war for generations, locked in an endless battle over an ancient, lost treasure. A secret movement called the Talons of Peace is determined to bring an end to the fighting. *Available in audio through Tales2Go.

### Mystery & Suspense





<i>Framed! (Framed series)</i>	Ponti, James	Florian has just moved to Washington. He's learning his way around using TOAST, which stands for the Theory of All Small Things. It's a technique he invented to solve life's little mysteries such as where to sit on the first day of school, but also how to solve crimes for the FBI.
<i>Jigsaw Jungle</i>	Levine, Kristin	Claudia Dalton's father has disappeared. What began as a late night at work has spiraled into a missing persons case--one that's left twelve-year-old Claudia questioning everything she's ever known about her father and their family. *Available in audio through Audible.
<i>Just South of Home</i>	Strong, Karen	Twelve-year-old Sarah, her Chicago cousin Janie, brainy brother Ellis, and his best friend, Jasper, investigate a tragic event in their small Southern town's history.
<i>Treasure of Maria Mamoun, The</i>	Chalfoun, Michelle	When Maria leaves the South Bronx for Martha's Vineyard, she doesn't expect much change, that is, until she joins forces with a local boy to sail and search for pirate treasure.

## Humor



<i>Babymouse: Tales from the Locker (series)</i>	Holm, Jennifer L.	Babymouse Tales from the Locker is a new paper-over-board series featuring the star of the popular graphic novels, Babymouse!
<i>I'm Just No Good at Rhyming and Other Nonsense for Mischievous Kids and Immature Grown-ups</i>	Harris, Chris	Hilarity and nonsense characterize this illustrated poetry collection, which engages the reader in a lively conversation between the writer and illustrator. *Available in audio through Audible.
<i>Lions &amp; Liars</i>	Beasley, Kate	When social misfit Frederick Frederickson is mistaken for a popular and devious boy at a disciplinary camp, he struggles to maintain the charade. *Available in audio through Audible.
<i>Terrible Two, The (series)</i>	Barnett, Mac	In his old school, everyone knew Miles was the town's best prankster, but after moving to Yawnee Valley quickly discovers he has competition. *Available in audio through DC Public Library's Overdrive.

## Graphic Novels



<i>Be Prepared</i>	Brosgol, Vera	All Vera wants to do is fit in--but that's not easy for a Russian girl in the suburbs. Her friends live in fancy houses and their parents can afford to send them to the best summer camps. Vera's single mother can't afford that sort of luxury, but there's one summer camp in her price range--Russian summer camp.
<i>Cardboard Kingdom, The</i>	Sell, Chad	A neighborhood of kids transform ordinary cardboard into fantastical homemade costumes as they explore conflicts with friends, family, and their own identity.
<i>Sanity &amp; Tallulah (series)</i>	Brooks, Molly	Sanity Jones and Tallulah Vega are best friends on Wilnick, the dilapidated space station they call home at the end of the galaxy.
<i>Stargazing</i>	Wang, Jen	Growing up in the same Chinese-American suburb, perfectionist Christine and artistic, confident, impulsive Moon become unlikely best friends, whose friendship is tested by jealousy, social expectations, and illness.

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