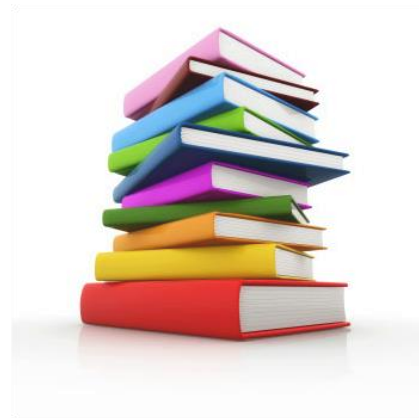


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Dear Parents,

As part of the fourth grade curriculum, students are required to complete a book report each quarter. For each report, there will be two genre choices from which students may select a book. Student book selections **must be pre-approved by**

**the teacher before the student begins reading.** This preapproval helps to ensure that the student has selected a book at his or her “just right” reading level (according to current DRA). We will review examples of the different genres in class. Students should select a new book that they have not already read. If for some reason your child needs to abandon the chosen book and select another, a new title will need to be approved by the teacher before the approval due date has passed. The students will be responsible for reading the book **independently.**



Shortly after the book approval deadline, your child’s teacher will introduce 2-3 hands-on projects and the student will select **one** to complete. The chosen project should be completed at home with **minimal** help from parents. All students will present their projects to the class on the due date. Project presentations will require eye contact and good speaking skills, so it is recommended that students practice presenting their project at home beforehand.

Below is a schedule of the project due dates and genre choices. Please feel free to call or email your child’s teacher with any additional questions.

The Fourth Grade Teachers

<b><u>Genre</u></b>	<b><u>Project Due Date</u></b>
Humor/Adventure	October 5, 2015
Mystery/Science Fiction	December 7, 2015
Biography/Autobiography	February 22, 2016
Historical or Realistic Fiction	April 18, 2016