We want Brookstone students to be avid, life-long lovers of reading, and we work hard during the school year to build a culture that celebrates reading, being read to, and talking about books. We could not do this without your support for reading at home throughout the year, and summer is the perfect time to grow the joy, the magic, and the love of reading!

Reading together and talking about books builds a sense of community, a bond that supports all of the work we do together. This summer, we invite our parents to join our reading community with our 3K-1st Grade common summer read. In Rita and Ralph’s Rotten Days, Cuban-born, Georgia author, Carmen Agra Deedy’s brilliant storytelling combined with Pete Oswald’s spirited illustrations make for a comforting tale of healing and true friendship.

In two little houses,
on two little hills,
lived two best friends...

So begins the story of Rita and Ralph. Every day they meet to play beneath the apple tree. It’s always fun and games -- until one roundly rotten day when a new game means someone ends up crying. Who knew it could be so hard to say "I’m sorry?"

Just when it seems nothing will ever be right again, a surprising thing happens. The old friends try something new, that isn’t new at all. Something they’ve done a hundred times...

--from Amazon Review

Additional Resources for Children’s Literature

Classic Favorites for the Very Young Reader--These perennial favorites will have your kids begging to read them just one more time!

This list of Award Winning books is by no means exhaustive or complete, but merely suggestions that children may find enjoyable and of the appropriate level.
Caldecott Award Winners and Honor Books:
http://www.ala.org/alsc/awardsgrants/bookmedia/caldecottmedal/caldecotthonors/caldecottmedal

Coretta Scott King Award Winners:

Georgia Children's Book Award:

Nonfiction Book Lists:
http://www.goodreads.com/shelf/show/kids-non-fiction

Online Books:
Epic Books for Kids-- https://www.getepic.com
Unite for Literacy-- https://www.uniteforliteracy.com/

Books for Girls:
http://school.familyeducation.com/reading/fiction/37735.html

Books for Boys:
https://www.pragmaticmom.com/2013/06/books-like-percy-jackson/

James Patterson's Read, Kiddo, Read: http://www.readkiddoread.com

Children's Magazines:
COBBLESTONE
ODYSSEY
FACES
MUSE
CRICKET
RANGER RICK
BRAINSPACE
DIG INTO HISTORY
NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC
KID’S AMERICAN GIRL

Online Magazines for Kids:
https://www.sikids.com