Fourth Grade Reading List (for those students going into fifth grade)

- 1. **Farah Rocks Fifth Grade** by Susan Muaddi Darraj. A story about a fifth grader taking on bullies and learning to be herself.
- 2. **An American Story** by Kwame Alexander. A story about the history and impact of slavery in America, told in short poems.
- 3. Things Not Seen by Andrew Clements. A Chicago boy wakes up and discovers he is invisible!
- 4. **The Wright 3** by Blue Balliett: A novel that focuses on Petra and Calder, two friends who have to solve a mystery involving architect Frank Lloyd Wright in Chicago.
- 5. **Bea and the New Deal Horse** by L.M. Elliott. Set against the backdrop of The Great Depression, a story about a girl whose family's life is turned upside down. Can training a horse change their lives? The American Library Association recommends this book.
- 6. **Continental Drifter** by Kathy MacLeod. A girl who splits her year between living in Bangkok, Thailand and small town Maine struggles to fit in anywhere. The American Library Association recommends this book.
- 7. **Evidence! How Dr. John Snow Solved the Mystery of Cholera** by Deborah Hopkinson. The true story of how a neighborhood doctor solved the mystery of cholera and changed how we approach diseases and public health. The American Library Association recommends this book.
- 8. **Max in the House of Spies: A Tale of World War II** by Adam Gidwitz. When young Max is sent from Germany to London to escape danger because he is Jewish, he creates a plan to become a British spy and return to his family. The American Library Association recommends this book.
- 9. **LOL 101:** A **Kid's Guide to Writing Jokes** by David Roth and Rinee Shah. Learn what makes jokes funny and use the included pages and questions to try writing your own! The American Library Association recommends this book.
- 10. Yes! No? Maybe So... Amazing Answers to More than 250 Mind Blowing Questions by Julie Beer and Paige Towler. In this book, kids will learn the answers to questions like: Can dogs tell time? Can animals get hiccups? and more! This American Library Association recommends this book.