

CAMP SPARKLER 2026 BOOK LIST



CAMP SPARKLER '26: TUNE UP WITH SPARKLER

Books are powerful tools to help children learn about big ideas! Here are some picture books aligned with the themes of Camp Sparkler.

WEEK 1, JUNE 22-26 | FLEXIBILITY

- ♥ **Not A Box** by Antoinette Portis
- ♥ **Saturday** by Oge Mora
- ♥ **Duck! Rabbit!** by Amy Krouse Rosenthal and Tom Lichtenheld
- ♥ **It Looked Like Spilt Milk** by Charles Green Shaw
- ♥ **Little Cloud** by Eric Carle

WEEK 2, JUNE 29-JULY 3 | WAITING FOR ANYTHING

- ♥ **Waiting Is Not Easy** by Mo Willems
- ♥ **The Carrot Seed** by Ruth Krauss
- ♥ **While We Wait** by Bee Johnson
- ♥ **Waiting** by Kevin Henkes
- ♥ **Freight Train** by Donald Crews

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WEEK 3, JULY 6-10 | SIBLINGS

- ♥ **Pecan Pie Baby** by Jacqueline Woodson
- ♥ **Tales of Amanda Pig** by Jean Van Leeuwen
- ♥ **Maple and Willow Together** by Lori Nichols
- ♥ **Owl Babies** by Martin Waddell
- ♥ **Peter's Chair** by Ezra Jack Keats

WEEK 4, JULY 13 - 17 | CLEANING UP

- ♥ **How Do Dinosaurs Clean Their Rooms** by Jane Yolen & Mark Teague
- ♥ **Harry the Dirty Dog** by Gene Zion
- ♥ **Too Many Carrots** by Katy Hudson
- ♥ **Clean-Up Time** by Elizabeth Verdick

WEEK 5, JULY 20-24 | SAYING SORRY

- ♥ **I'm Sorry You Got Mad** by Kyle Lukoff
- ♥ **I Forgive Alex** by KERASCOET
- ♥ **It's OK To Make Mistakes** by Todd Parr
- ♥ **Blue Hat, Green Hat** by Sandra Boynton

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WEEK 6, JULY 27-31 | TRYING NEW THINGS

- ♥ **Jabari Jumps** by Gaia Cornwall
- ♥ **The Most Magnificent Thing** by Ashley Spires
- ♥ **Green Eggs and Ham** by Dr. Seuss
- ♥ **Yes, You Can, Cow!** by Rashmi Sirdeshpande
- ♥ **Lola Goes To School** by Anna McQuinn
- ♥ **Eat! (Baby Faces Board Book)** by Roberta Grobel Intrater

WEEK 7, AUG. 3-7 | INCLUDING OTHERS

- ♥ **Can I Play Too?** by Mo Willems
- ♥ **All Are Welcome** by Alexandra Penfold
- ♥ **Our School Is A Family** by Shannon Olsen
- ♥ **Hug** by Jez Alborough
- ♥ **Strictly No Elephants** by Lisa Mantchev
- ♥ **Everywhere, Babies** by Susan Meyers

WEEK 8, AUG. 10-14 | USING KIND WORDS

- ♥ **I Walk With Vanessa** by KERASCOET
- ♥ **Lala's Words** by Gracey Zhang
- ♥ **Be Kind** by Pat Zietlow Miller
- ♥ **Love (Big Words for Little People)** by Helen Mortimer
- ♥ **Kindness Makes Us Strong** by Sophie Beer
- ♥ **First 100 Words of Love** by Roger Priddy
- ♥ **Oh So Kind!** by Joy Cho

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WEEK 9, AUG. 17-21 | CALMING DOWN

- ♥ **Grumpy Monkey** by Suzanne Lang
- ♥ **The Rabbit Listened** by Cori Doerrfeld
- ♥ **My Magic Breath** by Nick Ortner and Alison Taylor
- ♥ **B is for Breathe: The ABCs of Coping with Fussy and Frustrating Feelings** by Dr. Melissa Munro Boyd
- ♥ **Mad, Mad, MAD** by Leslie Patricelli

WEEK 10, AUG. 10-14 | GOING TO SLEEP

- ♥ **Bedtime for Frances** by Russell Hoban
- ♥ **I Don't Want to Go to Sleep** by Dev Petty
- ♥ **Even Superheroes Have to Sleep** by Sara Crow
- ♥ **The Napping House** by Audrey Wood
- ♥ **The Going to Bed Book** by Sandra Boynton
- ♥ **Time for Bed** by Mem Fox
- ♥ **Goodnight Moon** by Margaret Wise Brown