



# HOLMES ROAD ELEMENTARY

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## 2021 Summer Reading List Birth-Pre-K

### Antiracist Baby

by Ibram X. Kendi,  
illustrated by Ashley  
Lukashevsky

Racial consciousness  
develops younger  
than many people  
realize, and this  
picture book will give  
parents and  
caregivers a launch  
pad for having these  
important  
conversations with  
their little ones.

### Families Belong

by Dan Saks,  
illustrated by Brooke  
Smart

A celebration of  
families loving,  
singing, and belonging  
together.

### Future Doctor

by Lori Alexander,  
illustrated by Allison  
Black

A board book  
teaching the basics of  
being a doctor, and  
encouraging Baby that  
they can be anything.

### The Hips on the Drag Queen Go Swish, Swish, Swish

by Lil Miss Hot Mess,  
illustrated by Olga de  
Dios

Written by one of the  
first Drag Queen Story  
Hour performers, this  
picture book will get  
kids moving and  
proudly flaunting their  
most glamorous  
selves.

### Hurry Up! A Book about Slowing Down

by Kate Dopirak,  
illustrated by  
Christopher Silas Neal

With repeating  
refrains, this picture  
book follows a busy  
morning and  
afternoon of a young  
girl. After school, she  
learns to slow things  
down and enjoy what  
is around her.

### I Love My Tutu Too!

by Ross Burach

Every animal loves  
their tutu and wants  
to find more animal  
friends who love their  
tutus as well. Clever  
rhymes and a vibrant  
color palette make  
this a highly re-  
adable board book.

### I Love You, Baby Burrito

by Angela Dominguez

With a mix of both  
English and Spanish  
languages, this book  
takes you through the  
act of swaddling a  
newborn.

### Me & Mama

by Cozbi A. Cabrera

A young child enjoys a  
day with her mama,  
splashing in the rain  
and being cozy at  
home.

### A New Green Day

by Antoinette Portis

Poetic riddles create a  
guessing game as  
readers explore  
nature during a  
summer day.

### Raven Squawk, Orca Squeak

by Roy Henry Vickers  
and Robert Budd,  
illustrated by Roy  
Henry Vickers

The sounds of the  
Pacific Coast are  
shared in this board  
book with simple text  
accompanied by  
colorful illustrations

from an Indigenous  
artist.

### Sing with Me /Canta conmigo

by José-Luis Orozco,  
illustrated by Sara  
Palacios

Enjoy six classic  
children's songs in  
both English and  
Spanish, with  
charming illustrations.

### The Solar System with Ellen / El Sistema solar con Ellen

by Patty Rodríguez  
and ArianaStein,  
illustrated by Citlali  
Reyes

Text in English and  
Spanish brings our  
youngest bookworms  
on a trip through  
outer space with Ellen

Ochoa, the first Latina astronaut.

### **This Is a Book of Shapes**

by Kenneth Kraegel

This board book begins as a simple introduction to shapes and gets sillier and more complex as other shapes that might not be so simple get added!

### **Two Many Birds**

by Cindy Derby

A monitor shouts rules as birds line up to sit in a tree, but when the tree reaches capacity and two more birds hatch, things start to get a little wild.

### **We All Play**

by Julie Flett

With a simple text in English and Cree and soft, beautiful

illustrations, this book explores how both animals and humans play.

### **We Are Little Feminists: On-the-Go**

by Brook Sitgraves and Archa Shrivastav

A board book celebration of how we move, featuring colorful photographs of a variety of people moving in many different ways, highlighting the diversity of people and abilities in our community.

### **What Sound Is**

### **Morning?**

by Grant Snider

This simple and beautiful book

encourages its readers to consider their morning

routines, paying special attention to the sounds and silences that accompany them.

### **Whose Bones? An Animal Guessing Game**

by Gabrielle Balkan, illustrated by Sam Brewster

An informative board book about animal bones and anatomy in the form of a fun guessing game.

### **You Matter**

by Christian Robinson

An uplifting and inspiring book encourages readers to explore the many different people we encounter in our world and our

connection to them, highlighting the important mantra of the title, "You matter."