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Free Book for Every K-5 Elementary Child

HOUSTON COUNTY, GA – The Houston County Board of Education is giving a free book to every child in grades Kindergarten through fifth grade. The last few books are being distributed today, May 25, the last day of the school year.

The age-appropriate books are a gift to encourage reading over the summer. A Summer Reading List with suggested titles to read during vacation is posted to the Board Web site, www.hcbe.net on the Parents page. For example, upcoming Kindergarteners might enjoy, “Biscuit Goes to School” by Alyssa Satin Capucilli, a story about a playful puppy and his adventures at school. An example of a book suggested for fifth-graders is the classic “The Secret Garden,” by Frances Burnett. This is a tale of Mary, a girl whose taken to a strange and mysterious mansion to live with her distant uncle when her parents died in a faraway land. Mary has no friends and no happiness. . . until she finds the key to a wonderful secret.

For more information about summer reading or the free books, contact Nancy Richardson, coordinator of language arts, K-5, at 478-988-6200, ext. 10236.

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