

2018 Summer Required Reading

Students entering Kindergarten & 1st Grades –Choose ANY book to read over the summer.

Students will draw a picture or complete a "book report" using information sent home the first week of school. Suggestions include:

Any Young Cam Jansen series – David A. Adler

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Students entering Grade 2 – Choose one book from the list below:

Amelia Bedelia Series – Peggy Parish

Berenstain Bears Series – Stan & Jan Berenstain

Frog and Toad Series – Arnold Lobel

Henry and Mudge Series – Cynthia Rylant

Nate the Great Series – Sharmat

Magic Tree House Series – Mary Pope Osborne

PLUS students may pick from the following list in addition to the one above:

Mo Willems Series

Pete the Cat Series

Bill Martin, Jr. Series

The Deep Blue Sea – Audrey Wood

Ten Little Fish – Audrey Wood

Rookie Reader Series Step Into Reading Series (Levels 1-4)

Hello Reader Series

Some Frog! – Eve Bunting

Fish is Fish – Leo Lionni

I Like the Way You Are – Eve Bunting

Students entering Grade 3 – Choose one book from the list below:

Aliens for Breakfast - Etra & Spinner

Little House in the Big Woods – Wilder

Sarah Plain and Tall – MacLachlan

The Chocolate Touch – Catling

Henry Huggins - Beverly Cleary

The Littles - John Peterson

PLUS students may pick from the following list in addition to the one above:

Freckle Juice – Blume

The Pain and the Great One – Judy Blume

Cam Jansen Series – Alder

Calendar Mysteries – Ron Roy

Magic Tree House Series – Mary Pope Osborne

Students entering Grade 4 – Choose one book from the list below:

Frindle – Clements

Mrs. Pigglegwiggle – Mac Donald

Cricket in Times Square – Seldon

How to Eat Fried Worms – Rockwell

Because of Winn Dixie – DiCamillo (not an option for PLUS students)

PLUS students may pick from the following list in addition to the one above:

Hour of the Olympic – Osborne

Any book from the A – Z Mysteries by Ron Roy

Students entering Grade 5

Students are required to read (Choose ONE)

Hatchet by Gary Paulsen OR Little Women by Louisa May Alcott

Students are also required to read ONE of the following books and take an AR test when they return to school in August (or during a Summer AR testing date*):

Shakespeare's Secret – Elise Broach

Words of Stone – Kevin Henkes

Room One: A Mystery or Two – Andrew Clements

Ella Enchanted – Gail Carson Levine

Dragon Rider – Cornelia Funke

Rules – Cynthia Lord

Shiloh - Phyllis Reynolds Naylor

PLUS students may pick from the following list in addition to the one above:

Any Bailey School Kids series – Debbie Dadey

Any A to Z Mysteries – Ron Roy

Any Katie Kazoo, Switcheroo series - Nancy Krulik

Any Judy Moody series – Megan McDonald

Any Magic Treehouse series – Mary Pope Osborne

Students entering Grade 6

All 6th grade students both those in traditional and PLUS reading classes have their choice of one of the following two books for their required summer reading. Please take the AR test over the summer or be prepared to when school begins and should be prepared for group discussion of the books at the beginning of the year.

(Choose ONE)

The Outsiders by S.E. Hinton or

The Adventures of Tom Sawyer by Mark Twain (Unabridged version)

In addition to one of the required books above, students must choose ONE book from the following list. Please take the AR test over the summer or be prepared to do so when school begins.

The Giver – Lois Lowry

The Door in the Wall - Marguerite de Angeli

Ender's Game – Orson Scott Card

Walk Two Moons – Sharon Creech

The following options are considered challenge books:

Black Beauty (Unabridged version) – Anna Sewell

The Pearl – John Steinbeck

PLUS students ONLY have the choice of any of the following books as their optional book or may choose any from the list above:

Snow Treasure – Marie McSwigan

Olympians- George O'Connor

Lunch Lady- Jarrett Krosoczka

Students entering Grade 7

Students are required to read **The Children of Willesden Lane** by **Mona Golabek and Lee Cohen**

Students are also required to read ONE of the following books:

- Tangerine - Edward Bloor
- The Call of the Wild - Jack London
- Crossing the Wire - Will Hobbs
- The Boy in Striped Pajamas - John Boyne

Students entering Grade 8

Students are required to read and take a teacher test on the following books when they return to school in August:

Red Scarf Girl – **Ji-Li Jiang** AND **Code Talker** – **Joseph Bruchac**
(Optional Study packets are available on the SFA website)

Other novels that the students may enjoy throughout the summer:

- A Friend Called Anne – Maarsen
- Bloody Jack – Meyer
- Counting on Grace – Winthrop
- Girl in Blue – Rinaldi
- Hattie Big Sky – Larson
- Monkey Town – Kidd
- Private Peaceful – Morpugo
- Search and Destroy – Hughes
- Weedflower – Kadohata