

PreK/Kinder

- Nursery rhymes, Dr. Seuss, alphabet books, picture books, rhyming books
- Let child peruse book before reading to predict what the book is about.
- Point to words as you read.
- Discuss the illustrations as you read.
- Tell them the title and author.

1st Grade

- Participate in public library reading program
- Keep a reading log (at least 6-8 books)

2nd Grade Required Reading

- Frog and Toad Together, by A. Lobel
- Choose 1 from following I Can Read biographies:
 - Abe Lincoln's Hat, M. Brenner
 - Ben Franklin & His First Kite, Krensky
 - Frederick Douglas, C. Mayer
 - Helen Keller, C. Klingel
- Select one (1) saint listed below to read about (A web source is OK)
 - St. Anthony of Padua, St. Joan of Arc, St. Thomas Aquinas, St. Patrick, Blessed Imelda Lambertini—Patron Saint of First Communicants

3rd Grade Required Reading

- Your choice from the Who Is/Who Was series
- 3rd Grade Angels by Jerry Spinelli
- Choose a Patron Saint to read about.

4th Grade Required Reading

- Because of Winn-Dixie, by Kate DiCamillo
- Frindle, by Andrew Clements
- Any non-fiction book that interests you
- Read about a Saint of your choice.

5th Grade Required Reading

- Wonder, by R.J. Palacio
- Hoot, by Carl Hiaasen
- Any Non Fiction book that interests you
- Read about a Saint of your choice.

Tips for Parents

Suggest your child read 1 hour/day broken down into 10-15 minute sessions.

Spend time modeling—let your child see you reading for pleasure.

Graphic novels are good for reluctant readers.

Reward your child for completing a book.

CHECK HRCS WEBSITE (Parents tab- Newsletter & Attachments) FOR POSSIBLE SUPPLEMENTAL ASSIGNMENTS THAT MIGHT GO ALONG WITH SUMMER READING BOOKS

6th Grade Required Reading

- Treasure Island, any full or abridged (shortened) version
- Choose Hatchet, by Paulsen **OR** From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler, by E. L. Konigsburg
- Reader's Choice—choose a book from 2020-2021 www.lectiobookaward.org list

7th Grade Required Reading

- 20,000 Leagues Under the Sea, by Verne—full OR abridged version
- 7th Most Important Thing, by Shelly Pearsall
- Reader's Choice-choose a book from 2020-2021 www.lectiobookaward.org list

8th Grade Required Reading

- The Boy Who Dared, by Bartoletti
- The Little Prince, by Saint Exupery
- The Inquisitor's Tale, Adam Gidwitz

ALL Jr. High—read about a Saint of your choice

*** Did You Know? That 2—3 hours of reading per week are needed over the summer to prevent learning loss**

- Keep a log of all titles you read over the summer. Middle school students may keep a minutes read log instead of titles.
- Get your parent's signature to verify you have read the books.
- Bring your reading list to Mrs. Sopchak the first two weeks of school for a special treat at lunch.
- Set a goal to read at least 8 books.

Ways to Enjoy Reading

- Listen to a book being read aloud.
- Take turns reading pages with a friend.
- Read the book by yourself and retell someone about your favorite parts.
- Listen to an audio book.
- Record yourself reading a book and pass it along to a friend or grandparent to listen to.
- Visit your local bookstore.
- Attend local library programs.
- Book series can hook a reluctant reader.
- Loan a book to a friend using your Nook, Kindle, or ereader!

Required Summer Reading 2021

Students should be prepared for class discussion and/or a project for required summer reading books at the beginning of the new school year!



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SUMMER READING 2021-2022

Summer Reading Challenge

- Week 1: Read the comics.
- Week 2: Read a non-fiction book about another country or read a biography.
- Week 3: Read a book of poetry.
- Week 4: Read directions for cooking something, create a craft or do daily word challenges like a crossword or sudoku.
- Week 5: Swap a book w/a friend to read.
- Week 6: Read a magazine or newspaper.
- Week 7: Read a book then see the movie.
- Week 8: Read required summer reading.
- Week 9: Read required summer reading.
- Week 10: Read required summer reading.