

THE SAINT AUSTIN SCHOOL



2020-2021 SUMMER READING LIST

Students entering first and second grades are encouraged to read as many books as they like from the suggested list below. Students entering grades three through eight are required to read one book from the list.

Students entering 1st grade:

Madeline by Ludwig Bemelmans
Clifford The Big Red Dog by Norman Bridwell
Franklin in the Dark by Paulette Bourgeois
The Very Hungry Caterpillar by Eric Carle
Pete the Cat Series by James Dean
Dr. Seuss Series
The Three Billy Goats Gruff by Paul Galdone
Henry and Mudge Series by Cynthia Rylant

Students entering 2nd grade:

Frog and Toad Series by Arnold Lobel
Boxcar Children Series by Gertrude Chandler Warner
Mrs. Piggle Wiggle Series by Betty MacDonald
Magic School Bus chapter books
Nate the Great Series by Marjorie Weinman Sharmat
Fables by Aesop
Cam Jansen Mysteries by David Adler
Blueberries for Sal by Robert McCloskey

Students entering 3rd grade must read one of the following:

Mary Poppins, by P.L. Travers
The Borrowers, by Mary Norton
Winnie the Pooh, by A.A. Milne
The Cricket in Times Square, by George Selden
Little Women, by Louisa May Alcott
Secret Garden, by Frances Hodgson Burnett
Peter Pan, by J.M. Barrie

Students entering 4th grade must read one of the following:

Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of Nimh by Robert C. O'Brien
Black Beauty by Anna Sewell
The Story of My Life by Helen Keller
Pinocchio by Carlo Collodi

Students entering 5th grade must read one of the following:

Canadian Summer by Hilda van Stockum

The Black Cauldron by Lloyd Alexander

Prince Caspian by C. S. Lewis

Adam of the Road by Elizabeth Janet Gray

Students entering 6th grade must read one of the following:

Black Ships Before Troy by Rosemary Sutcliff

The Wanderings of Odysseus by Rosemary Sutcliff

The Witch of Blackbird Pond by Elizabeth George Speare

Crispin: The Cross of Lead by Avi

Students entering 7th grade must read one of the following:

The Hobbit by J. R. R. Tolkien

The Jungle Book by Rudyard Kipling

The Mysterious Benedict Society by Trenton Lee Stewart

Little Women by Louisa May Alcott

Robin Hood by Howard Pyle

Swiss Family Robinson by Johan Wyss

Students entering 8th grade must read one of the following:

They Loved to Laugh by Kathryn Worth

Treasure Island by Robert Louis Stevenson

The Yearling by Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings

Deerslayer by James Fenimore Cooper

David Copperfield by Charles Dickens

An Episode of Sparrows by Rumor Godden

Hidden Treasure of Glaston by Eleanore M. Jewett

Students in grades 5-8 are also encouraged to read books from the Vision Books Series of Saints.