

2009 Summer Reading List for St. Mark School

A note to parents: Please make reading an integral part of your children's summer by reading to them and encouraging those who can to keep reading. With the exception of the books for grades 7 and 8, which are mandatory reading, the titles listed below are recommended but optional reading. To help children develop a life-long reading habit, encourage children to select their own reading materials freely. At the same time, challenge them to try out new genres and authors. For more suggestions, please refer to Mayor Brown's 2009 Summer Reading Challenge, available at http://www.city-buffalo.com/Files/1_2_1/Mayor/ReadingRulesChallenge/Reading_Brochure2009.pdf . Happy reading!

Kindergarten - Grade 2

Picture Books

Beetle Bop - Denise Fleming
Fast Food - Saxton Freymann
Green Eggs and Ham - Dr. Seuss
I Stink! - Kate McMullan
No, David! - David Shannon
Officer Buckle and Gloria - Peggy Rathmann
The True Story of the Three Little Pigs - Jon Scieszka
What Do You Do with a Tail Like This? - Steve Jenkins

Series Fiction

Amelia Bedelia - Peggy Parish
Charlie and Lola - Lauren Child
Dragon - Dav Pilkey
Elephant and Piggie - Mo Willems
Frog and Toad - Arnold Lobel
Fudge books - Judy Blume
Henry and Mudge - Cynthia Rylant
Junie B. Jones - Barbara Park
Magic Tree House - Mary Pope Osborne

Grades 3 - 4

Series Fiction

Andrew Lost - J. C. Greenburg
Animal Ark - Ben Baglio
The Bailey School Kids - Debbie Dadley & Marcia Thornton Jones

Bone - Jeff Smith
Flat Stanley - Jeff Brown
Fudge books - Judy Blume
Horrible Harry - Suzy Kline
Junie B. Jones - Barbara Park
Little House Books - Laura Ingalls Wilder
Magic School Bus Chapter Books - various authors
Magic Tree House - Mary Pope Osborne
Series of Unfortunate Events - Lemony Snicket
Spiderwick - Tony Di Terlizzi & Holly Black
Stink - Megan McDonald
Rainbow Magic Fairies - Daisy Meadows

Fiction

Battlefield Ghost - Margery Cuyler
Because of Winn Dixie - Kate Di Camillo
Charlie and the Chocolate Factory - Roald Dahl
Charlotte's Web - E. B. White
Ella Enchanted - Gail Carson Levine
Ellen Tebbits - Beverly Cleary
Jumanji - Chris Van Allsburg
The Invention of Hugo Cabret - Brian Selznick
Mr. Peabody's Apples - Madonna
Poppy - Avi
Socks - Beverly Cleary
The Stinky Cheese Man - Jon Scieszka & Lane Smith

Nonfiction

Picture Book Biography series - David Adler
Eyewitness Books series - DK Publishing, Inc.

Grade 5 - 6

Series Fiction

Bone - Jeff Smith
Dear America - various authors
Diary of a Wimpy Kid - Jeff Kinney
Harry Potter - J. K. Rowling
Chronicles of Narnia - C. S. Lewis
Percy Jackson and the Olympians - Rick Riordan

Fiction

The Amazing Maurice and His Educated Rodents - Terry Pratchett
Elijah of Buxton - Christopher Paul Curtis
The Graveyard - Neil Gaiman

The Goose Girl - Shannon Hale
Heat - Mike Lupica
Holes - Louis Sachar
The Penderwicks - Jeanne Birdsall
Star Girl - Jerry Spinelli

Nonfiction

Eyewitness Books series - DK Publishing, Inc.
Science books by Seymour Simon
Biographies by Russell Freedman

Grades 7 - 8

Required Reading: An exam will be given on these books in the Fall and will comprise 25% of the 10th week literature grade.

A Wrinkle in Time - Madeline L'Engle
Behind the Lines - Isabelle Holland
The Voyage of the Dawn Treader - C. S. Lewis
The Breadwinner - Deborah Ellis
Someone Named Eva - Joan M. Wolf