

Saint Benedict School Summer Reading 2019

Grade 1 Summer Reading

Please read or have your parents read with you:

Little Bear by Else Holmelund Minarik

Then read at least three of the Dr. Seuss books from the list below:

Hop on Pop

The Cat in the Hat

The Foot Book Green Eggs and Ham

There's a Wocket in My Pocket

Mr. Brown Can Moo! Can You?

Dr. Seuss's ABC's

Fox in Socks

How the Grinch Stole Christmas

One Fish Two Fish Red Fish Blue Fish

My Book About Me

Ten Apples on Top

Wish for a Fish

The Eye Book

If I Ran the Zoo

Oh Say Can You Say?

Great Day for Up

The Tooth Book

I Am Not Going to Get Up Today!

If I Ran the Circus

I Can Lick 30 Tigers Today! And Other Stories

The Shape of Me and Other Stories

Marvin K. Mooney, Will You Please Go Now!

The Pop-Up Mice of Mr. Brice

And...Please read a collection of Mother Goose Rhymes. You may check out books from the public libraries. Two examples are Mary Engelbreit's *Mother Goose* and *My Mother Goose* by David McPhail. Happy Reading!

Grade 2 Summer Reading

Please read the following book and be prepared to discuss.

The Empty Pot by Demi

Please see that your child has as many reading experiences as possible, including **at least one** from this list. Here are some more books for fun summer reading:

Frog and Toad Series by Arnold Lobel

Henry and Mudge by Cynthia Rylant

Forever Sea by Cynthia Rylant

Mr. Putter and Tabby Pour the Tea by Cynthia Rylant

Mercy Watson Series by Kate DiCamillo

Iris and Walter Series by Elissa Haden-Guest

Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs by Judy Barrett

Whales for Kids by Tom Wolpert

Loveable Lyle by Waber Bernard

Enjoy the summer and have fun reading. See you next year!

Mrs. Young

Grade Two

Grade 3 Summer Reading

Winnie-the-Pooh – A. A. Milne

Choose at least one of the following from the Classic Starts series: Greek Myths (adapted by Diane Namm), Roman Myths (adapted by Dianne Namm), The Odyssey (Homer/ adapted by Tania Zamorsky)

Keep a reading summary journal in a 1-subject notebook. Each time you read and/or after each story/chapter, write a summary of what happened. In your writing, try to remember to form complete thoughts/sentences that include capitalization and punctuation. Your writing may be in either manuscript or cursive, but please do your best handwriting. Your summaries may include: setting, characters, events, problems, solutions, and possible predictions of what you believe may happen next in the story. Your journal may also include your evaluation (thoughts/opinions) about what you read. This journal will not only help review the story as you read, but also help in writing a report that will be assigned in the first weeks of school. Please also include, at the end of your summary journal, any additional book titles & authors you read over the summer.

Happy Summer! Happy Reading! See you in the new school year!

Ms. Howell
3rd Grade

*Please review any addition, subtraction, multiplication &/or division facts that Mrs. Young taught you in 2nd Grade. In 3rd Grade, memorization & immediate recall are vital to progress & success. Math flashcards, workbooks, & computer games can assist in your review.

Grade 4 Summer Reading

Please read the following book and be ready to discuss:

Because of Winn-Dixie - Kate DiCamillo

Also, read at least ONE from the following list of books. Also, as you read, think about the following: Characters, Setting, Plot, Conclusion. If it helps, write down memorable quotes or information that you can use to help you complete a fun book report during the first few weeks of school.

The BFG - Roald Dahl
Shiloh - Phyllis Naylor
Saving Shiloh - Phyllis Naylor
Rabbit Hill - Robert Lawson
Tuck Everlasting - Natalie Babbitt
Julie of the Wolves - Jean George
Harry Potter Books - JK Rowling
Island of the Blue Dolphins - Scott O'Dell
Charlotte's Web - E.B. White
Fudge-a-Mania - Judy Blume
Walk Two Moons - Sharon Creech
Wind in the Willows - Kenneth Grahame
Stargirl - Jerry Spinnelli
Hatchet - Gary Paulsen
Mr. Popper's Penguins - Richard Atwater
The Cabin Faced West - Jean Fritz
The Hundred Dresses - Eleanor Estes
Ida B. - Katherine Hannigan
Stuart Little - E.B. White
Song of the Trees - Mildred D. Taylor
The Cats in Krasinski Square - Karen Hesse
Indian in the Cupboard - Lynne Reid Banks
Pippi Longstocking - Astrid Lindgren

To further prepare for fourth grade:

- Enjoy reading other books that interest you.
- Study your addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division facts (0-12); use flashcards, online games, Khan Academy, etc...

- Be sure to go outside, run, swim, jump, and play! Most especially, observe our beautiful world that is given to us by our God. Isn't it magnificent? We will talk about some of the wonderful things that you observe.

Grade 5 Summer Reading

This summer you have **two** required reading assignments to prepare for 5th grade:

Assignment #1:

You are required to read ONE book from the book list below. Then answer the questions, which follow the list. Be sure to write out the entire question on notebook paper, and answer in complete sentences using your BEST cursive handwriting.

Selected Reading List:

Sign of the Beaver by Elizabeth George Speare

The Jungle Book by Rudyard Kipling

Treasure Island by Robert Lewis Stevenson

Where The Red Fern Grows by Wilson Rawls

Questions for Assignment #1:

1. What is the significance of the title? Would you have given the book a different title? If yes, what is your title?
2. How important was the setting & time period to the story? How would it have played out differently in a different setting? What about a different time period?
3. Did any of the characters remind you of yourself or someone you know? How?
4. Were there any moments where you disagreed with the choices of any of the characters? What would you have done differently?
5. Did you think the ending was appropriate? How would you have liked the author to end the story?

Assignment #2:

Read a **nonfiction** book on a topic that interests you. When you are finished reading, **create a poster**, which displays what you have learned. You will present this to the class the first week of school.

TO GET AHEAD: * Begin to review the States and Capitals * Practice your basic math facts (add/subtract/multiply/divide). Try to find fun math-practice games online and test yourself frequently. Drill, drill, drill.....flash cards are the BEST way to practice. * Write often! Write letters to friends, keep a journal or a diary, write poems, or stories. * Go to museums, fairs, parks, gardens and/or visit historical sights. Just keep learning!

Middle School Summer Reading

We are requiring that middle school students complete a free online typing course over the summer. To access the course, go to <https://www.typing.com/student>, sign up for a free account. Rising 6th graders and students new to Saint Benedict School should complete the “Beginner” course. Returning 7th graders should complete the “Intermediate” course and returning 8th graders should complete the “Advanced” course. The courses include up to fourteen lessons, so please plan ahead and spread them out over the summer. After completing all the Beginner, Intermediate, or Advanced lessons, students should take the 1 minute typing test and have the printed certificate to turn in at the beginning of the school year. We feel that learning how to type is a critical skill that will benefit our students in middle school and throughout their further education. In addition, please do the following summer reading:

6th Grade

Holes by Louis Sachar

The Phantom Tollbooth by Norton Juster

7th Grade

The Witch of Blackbird Pond by Elizabeth George Speare

Maniac Magee by Jerry Spinelli

8th Grade

The Wednesday Wars by Gary D. Schmidt

Lord of the Flies by William Golding

Here are some ideas for additional middle school reading over the summer:

20,000 Leagues Under the Sea by Jules Verne

A Christmas Carol by Charles Dickens

A Day No Pigs Would Die by Robert Newton Peck

A Stranger Came Ashore by Mollie Hunter

A Wizard of Earthsea by Ursula K. LeGuin

A Wrinkle in Time by Madeleine L'Engle

Across Five Aprils by Irene Hunt

Adventures of Sherlock Holmes by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle

The Adventures of Tom Sawyer by Mark Twain

Amos Fortune, Free Man

The Bridge of San Luis Rey by Thornton Wilder

Call It Courage by Armstrong Sperry

The Call of the Wild by Jack London

The Chocolate War by Robert Cormier

The Count of Monte Cristo by Alexander Dumas

Daddy Long Legs by Jean Webster
Diary of a Young Girl by Anne Frank
Dragonsong by Anne McCaffrey
Dragonwings by Laurence Yep
Enchantress From the Stars by Sylvia Engdahl
The Endless Steppe by Esther Hautzig
Fahrenheit 451 by Ray Bradbury
Frankenstein by Mary Shelley
The Ghost Belonged To Me by Richard Peck
Goodbye, Mr. Chips by James Hilton
The Hobbit by J.R.R. Tolkien
The Horatio Hornblower Series by C.S. Forester
The Hunchback of Notre Dame by Victor Hugo
Incident at Hawk's Hill by Allan W. Eckert
Ivanhoe by Sir Walter Scott
Island of the Blue Dolphin by Scott O'Dell
Jacob Have I Loved by Katherine Paterson
Johnny Tremain by Esther Forbes
Journey to Topaz by Yoshiko Uchida
Julie of the Wolves by Jean Craighead George
Kim by Rudyard Kipling
The Last Mission by Harry Mazer
The Last of the Mohicans by James Fenimore Cooper
Le Morte d'Arthur by Sir Thomas Malory
The Legend of Sleepy Hollow by Irving Washington
The Little Prince by Antoine de Saint-Exupery
Little Women by Louisa May Alcott
M.C. Higgins the Great by Virginia Hamilton
The Merry Adventures of Robin Hood by Howard Pyle
My Brother Sam Is Dead by James and Christopher Collier
My Friend Flicka by Mary O'Hara
Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass by Frederick Douglass
National Velvet by Enid Bagnold
The Outsiders by S.E. Hinton
The Pigman by Paul Zindel
The Pilgrim's Progress by John Bunyan
Poems by Robert Frost
The Red Pony by John Steinbeck
Rifles for Watie by Harold Keith

Robinson Crusoe by Daniel Defoe
Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry by Mildred D. Taylor
Shane by Jack Schaefer
Story of My Life by Helen Keller
To Be a Slave by Julius Lester
Treasure Island by Robert Louis Stevenson
The Upstairs Room by Johanna Reiss
War of the Worlds by H.G. Wells
Where the Lilies Bloom by Vera Cleaver
Where the Red Fern Grows by Wilson Rawls
The White Mountains by John Christopher
The Yearling by Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings