



# Summer Reading

## Rising Kindergarten

(see attached)

## Rising 1st Grade

Reading Packet (hardcopy)

## Rising 2nd Grade

Read one book of your choice, per week. Fill out reading log (see attached)

## Rising 3rd Grade

*The Lemonade War* by Jacqueline Davies

## Rising 4th Grade

*Stuart Little* by E.B. White **OR** *Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing* by Judy Blume

## Rising 5th Grade

Choose **one** novel listed below. On a Post-It note, write a word or phrase that has a personal connection to your life per chapter. Bring your annotations to class the first week of school to use to complete a book report assignment.

*Secret Garden* by Frances Hodgson Burnett

*Hatchet* by Gary Paulsen

*Island of the Blue Dolphins*, by Scott O'Dell

## Rising 6th Grade

### I. **Novel One:**

Read **ONE** novel that you **have not read before**. The novel must be **at least 150 pages in length**. No graphic novels, please. (Novel choices must match and align with our Catholic faith; we will be sharing our responses to the selected novels in class.)

- After reading EACH CHAPTER in the novel, write an annotation/personal connection to that chapter. Annotations should be turned in on loose leaf notebook paper.
- After reading your ENTIRE novel, complete an "identi-bag" for the character which includes the following:
  - A brown lunch bag with the name of the novel, the author and the main character on the front. Your name should be on the bottom right corner of the bag.
  - Inside of the bag, you need to place **5 objects** (*no large, heavy, or delicate objects, please!*) **or pictures** of things that relate to the character in an important way in the story. Think of places, objects, and events that were significant and find objects and pictures that relate to those.

The "identi-bags" will be shared the first week of school.

### II. **Novel Two:**

Read **Out of My Mind** by Sharon Draper. During the first week of school, you will be given directions for a response/report to complete for this novel.

**All summer reading must be completed before the first day of school.**

**Recommendation: Work at a steady pace with your reading over the summer; do not wait until the last 2 weeks to accomplish this reading assignment.**

### **Rising 7th Grade**

1. Read **two** novels that you **have not read before**. The novels must be **at least 150 pages in length**. No graphic novels, please. (Novel choices must match and align with our Catholic faith; we will be sharing our responses to the selected novels in class.)
2. For **one** of the two novels you read, complete ALL of the following:
  - a. Find a poem that relates to a topic in the novel (friendship, family, new beginnings, challenges, etc.)
  - b. Find a picture of a piece of art that relates to a topic in the novel (friendship, family, new beginnings, challenges, etc.)
  - c. Write one paragraph that explains how the poem connects to the novel. Be sure to include the poem with your paragraph.
  - d. Write another paragraph that explains how the art connects to the novel. Be sure to include your picture of the art with your paragraph.
3. For the **other** novel, imagine that you are a very close friend of the main character. What gift would you give to the character? (Think about what the character might want or need.)  
Now, write a paragraph describing the gift you would give the character and why you would choose that gift for the character.

Summer reading activities will be shared the first week of school.

### **Rising 8th Grade**

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# 2024 8th Grade Summer Reading List

(for 7th graders going into 8th grade)

## Book #1:

**Choose a fictional book (150 pages or more) that is set in a location where you would like to travel for a vacation.**

The story should be fiction, but the location should be a REAL place on earth. It can be set in a specific city, state, or country. (You could choose a book set in Paris, or Florida, or England, for example.)

Assignment: At the beginning of the school year, you will complete an assignment with this book that will include information on the location you chose.

## Book #2:

**Choose any (parent approved) book that is 125 or more pages long. This book can be from any genre.**

Assignment: Create a poster either on paper (any size) or on a Google Doc or Google Slides (You can use more than one Slide). The poster should include the following:

- Your name
- Title of the book
- Author's name
- 8-10 sentence summary of the book
- 2 images (drawn or printed) that relate to the book
- 4-6 sentences giving your opinion of the book. Would you recommend it or not? Why or why not?
- Your poster should be neat, colorful, and creative.
- Be prepared to present your book to your classmates.

Posters are due by August 28.