BLESSSED SACRAMENT SCHOOL SUMMER READING LIST
Grades 1- 4     2019-2020

REQUIRED Reading for Students Entering Grades 1 – 4

1st Grade: Students entering Grade 1 must read FOUR books from this list and complete the required assignment:

   Biscuit Books
   Elephant and Piggie Books
   Danny and the Dinosaur Books
   Fancy Nancy Books
   Frog and Toad Books
   Puppy Mudge Books
   Henry and Mudge Books
   Amelia Bedelia Books
   Zelda and Ivy Books
   Frog and Friends Books
   Katie Woo Series

   Picture Books:
   The Relatives Came by Cynthia Rylant
   Chrysanthemum by Kevin Henkes
   Sunflower House by Eve Bunting
   Thunder Cake by Patricia Polacco
   The Disappearing Island by Corinne Demas
   The Hello Goodbye Window by Norton Juster
   Fishing in the Air by Sharon Creech
   Last Stop on Market Street by Matt de la Pena
   Fireflies by Julie Brinkloe
   The Little House by Virginia Lee Burton
   Harold and the Purple Crayon by Crockett Johnson
   Olivia by Ian Falconer

   Required Assignment: List the four books read. Pick one book to review. On a piece of paper, write the name of the book and the author. Write one sentence that tells what the book is about. Draw a picture that tells about the story. Assignments will be due the first day of school. Write sentence in pencil only. Pictures colored in crayon or colored pencil - no markers.

2nd Grade: Students entering Grade 2 must read TWO books from this list and complete the required assignment:

   Nate the Great by Marjorie Weinman Sharmat
   A-Z Mysteries
   Nancy Clancy Books
   Magic Tree House Series
   Ramona Quimby Series
   Geronimo Stilton Series
   Rainbow Magic Fairies
   Flat Stanley
   Magic School Bus
   Junie B. Jones
   Whatever After Series

   Picture Books:
   Life by Cynthia Rylant
   Sylvester and the Magic Pebble by William Steig
   Giraffe Problems by Lane Smith
   Gilbert and Friends Books by Diane deGroat
   Bread and Jam for Frances by Russell Hoban
   Blueberries for Sal by Robert McCloskey
   Make Way for Ducklings by Robert McCloskey
   One Morning in Maine by Robert McCloskey

   Required Assignment: Draw and color a picture of the character(s) and setting then write 2 sentences about the illustration (1 picture for each book) Assignments will be due the first day of school. Write sentences in pencil only. Pictures colored in crayon/colored pencil - no markers.

3rd Grade: Students entering Grade 3 must read TWO books from this list and complete the required assignment:

   Freckle Juice by Judy Blume
   Ramona Quimby, Age 8 by Beverly Clearly
   The Littles Series by John Peterson
   The Best School Year Ever by Barbara Robinson
   Fantastic Mr. Fox by Roald Dahl
   Judy Moody by Megan McDonald
   According to Humphrey Series by Betty G. Birney
   Junie B. Jones by Barbara Park
   Magic Tree House Series
   Matt Christopher Sports

   Over please
**Required Assignment:** For each book read, fill out a 5” x 8” lined index card using the format below and return on the first day of school. Students will also have classroom activities during the first quarter based on one of their books.

**Index Card Format:**
- Student’s Name
- Title of Book
- Author & Illustrator (if there is one)
- List of Characters
- Brief Summary of the Important Events

**4th Grade:** Students entering Grade 4 must read TWO books from this list and complete the required assignment:

- *Because of Winn-Dixie* by Kate DiCamillo
- *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* by Roald Dahl
- *James and the Giant Peach* by Roald Dahl
- *Sideways Stories from Wayside School* by Louis Sachar
- *Bridge to Terabithia* by Katherine Paterson
- *Little House in the Big Woods* by Laura Ingalls Wilder
- *Frindle* by Andrew Clements
- *The Sisters Grimm: The Fairy Tale Detectives*

**Required Assignment:** For each book read, fill out a 4” x 6” lined index card using the format below and return on the first day of school. Students will also have classroom activities during the first quarter based on one of their books.

**Index Card Format:**
- Student’s Name
- Title of Book
- Author & Illustrator (if there is one)
- List of Characters
- Brief Summary of the Important Events
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REQUIRED Reading & Assignments for Students Entering Grades 5 - 8

5th Grade: Students entering Grade 5 must read TWO books from this list and complete the required assignment:

Dear Mr. Henshaw by Beverly Cleary
The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes by Arthur Conan Doyle
From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler by Konigsburg
The 100 Year Old Secret by Tracy Barrett
Loser by Jerry Spinelli
Maniac Magee by Jerry Spinelli
My Side of the Mountain by Jean Craighead George
Number the Stars by Lois Lowry
Shiloh by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor
Hoot by Carl Hiaasen
Wild River by P.J. Peterson
Old Yeller by Fred Gipson
The Watsons Go To Birmingham by Christopher Paul Curtis
11 Birthdays by Wendy Mass
Theodore Boone: Kid Lawyer by John Grisham

Required Assignment: A summary of the two required reading books should be written on 5” x 7” index cards using the following format and will be due the first week of school:

Student’s Name
Title of Book & Author
Setting – where the story takes place
Main Characters
Summary – brief description of the main events in the story as well as comment regarding a favorite/interesting part of the book.

Please bring books to use in class. We will be completing a book project in class after summer vacation.

6th Grade: Students entering Grade 6 must read TWO books from this list and complete the required assignment:

The Phantom Tollbooth by Norton Juster
White Fang by Jack London
The Giver by Lois Lowry
The White Giraffe by Lauren St. John
Lyddie by Katherine Paterson
The Island by Gary Paulson
Bud, Not Buddy by Christopher Paul Curtis
Walk Two Moons by Sharon Creech
Words of Stone by Kevin Henkes
Julie of the Wolves by Jean Craighead George
A Week in the Woods by Andrew Clements
Heat by Mike Lupica
A Dog’s Life by Ann M. Martin
The Library Card by Jerry Spinelli
Treasure Island by Robert Louis Stevenson

Over please
**Required Assignment:** A summary of all the required reading books should be written on 5” x 7” index cards using the following format and will be due the first week of school:

- Student’s Name
- Title of Book
- Author & Illustrator (if there is one)
- List of Characters
- Brief Summary of the Important Events

We will be completing a book project in class.

**Complete language packet given from Mrs. Cavanagh**

**7th Grade:** Students entering Grade 7 must complete the packet given to them from Mrs. Heavren

**8th Grade:** Students entering Grade 8 must complete the packet given to them from Mrs. Heavren