

## Summer Reading 2026

### **Rising 1<sup>st</sup> Graders:**

Rising 1<sup>st</sup> graders have sight words to practice and a reading Bingo card to complete before school begins.

### **Rising 2<sup>nd</sup> Graders:**

Rising 2<sup>nd</sup> graders will read the book *Blueberries for Sal* and complete the packet that was sent home with them. The packet is due when the students return in August.

### **Rising 3<sup>rd</sup> Graders:**

Rising 3<sup>rd</sup> graders will read the book *Third Grade Angels* by Jerry Spinelli and complete the packet. The packet consists of comprehension questions taken from the story and was sent home with them. The packet is due when the students return in August.

### **Rising 4<sup>th</sup> Graders:**

Rising 4<sup>th</sup> graders will read the book *The Wild Robot* by Peter Brown and complete a packet that was sent home with them. The packet is due when the students return in August.

### **Rising 5<sup>th</sup> Graders:**

Rising 5<sup>th</sup> graders will read the book *The Indian in the Cupboard* by Lynn Reid Banks. They will have a discussion and a project the first week of school. The book must be read by the first day of school.

### **Upcoming 6<sup>th</sup> Graders:**

Rising 6<sup>th</sup> graders will read the book *Crash* by Jerry Spinelli. *Crash* tells the story of John "Crash" Coogan's transformation from a jock who bullies his neighbor, Penn Webb, to a boy who learns the value of kindness and friendship

When students return, they will engage in class discussion and complete a project (for a test grade) during the first week of school. The book must be read by the first day of school.

### **Upcoming 7<sup>th</sup> Graders:**

The rising 7<sup>th</sup> graders may choose **ONE** of the novels to read that are listed below:

- *A Wrinkle in Time* by Madeline L'Engle
- *The Shakespeare Stealer* by Gary Blackwood
- *The Phantom Tollbooth* by Norton Juster

When students return, they will engage in class discussion and complete a project (for a test grade) during the first week of school. The book must be read by the first day of school.

### **Rising 8<sup>th</sup> Graders:**

Rising 8<sup>th</sup> graders should pick one of the following books to read over the summer:

1. *Anne of Avonlea* by L.M. Montgomery
2. *The Secret Garden* by Frances Hodgson Burnett
3. *The Count of Monte Cristo* by Alexandre Dumas (abridged or full version)
4. *Little Women* by Louisa May Alcott
5. *The Story of My Life* by Helen Keller
6. *You Have a Brain* by Dr. Ben Carson
7. *The Hiding Place* by Corrie ten Boom

As they read, they should complete the note-taking packet, which is due on Monday, August 10. By the end of the summer, they should also complete either an essay or a book trailer project (as described in their packet), which is also due on Monday, August 10, for a test grade. Please refer to the email from Sister Joanna for further details.

**\*\*\*Packets will be available in the office\*\*\***