

# Holy Family School – Optional Summer Reading List

## Students Entering First Grade – Suggested (not required)

### Fiction

Allard, Harry—Miss Nelson Is Missing (Series)  
Arnold, Ted—Parts!  
Brett, Jan—Hedgie Blasts Off  
Cronin, Doreen—Click, Clack, Moo  
Falconer, Ian—Olivia (Series)  
Flemming, Denise—Muncha, Muncha, Muncha  
Fox, Mem—Koala Lou  
Henkes, Kevin—Wemberly Worried  
Hobbie, Holly—Toot And Puddle  
Hopkinson, Deborah—A Pocketful Of Seeds  
Hutchins, Pat—The Doorbell Rang  
Knudsen, Michelle—The Library Lion  
Kraus, Robert—Leo The Late Bloomer  
Leonni, Leo—Frederick  
London, Jonathan—Froggy Plays Soccer (Series)  
Long, Melinda—Pirates Don't Change Diapers  
Marshall, James—George And Martha (Series)  
Palatini, Margie—Piggie Pie  
Shannon, David—No David!  
Sis, Peter—Fire Truck  
Small, David—Imogene's Antlers  
Tafari, Nancy—Will You Be My Friend?  
Teague, Mark—Dear Mrs. Larue  
Viorst, Judith---Alexander And The Terrible, Horrible, No Good Very Bad Day  
Wells, Rosemary—Max's Dragon Shirt  
Willems, Mo—Don't Let The Pigeon Drive The Bus (Series)  
Yolen, Jane—How Do Dinosaurs Go To School? (Series)

### Non-Fiction

Cobb, Vicki—This Place Is Crowded  
Lawrence, John—Sea Horse: The Shyest Fish In The Sea  
Martin Jr., Bill—I Love Our Earth  
Mcnulty, Faith—If You Decide To Go To The Moon  
Powell, Consie—Amazing Apples

## **Students Entering Second Grade - Suggested (Not Required)**

### **Fiction**

Auch, Mary Jane—The Princess And The Pizza  
Bottner, Barbara—Wallace's Lists  
Brett, Jan—The Umbrella  
Cazet, Denys—Minnie And Moo And The Mask Of Zorro (Series)  
Child, Lauren—Snow Is My Favorite And My Best  
Cronin, Doreen—Diary Of A Spider  
Danzinger, Paula – What a Trip, Amber Brown  
Depaola, Tomie—Strega Nona  
Dicamillo, Kate—Mercy Watson To The Rescue (Series)  
Jenkins, Emily—Toys Go Out  
Lester, Helen—Hooway For Wodney Wat  
Lobel, Arnold- Frog and Toad are Friends  
Polacco, Patricia—Mr. Lincoln's Way  
Pomeranc, Marion—The American Wei  
Rylant, Cynthia—The High Rise Private Eyes (Series)  
Sharmat, Marjorie—Nate The Great (Series)  
Shannon, David—A Bad Case Of Stripes  
Thayler, Mike—The Principal From The Black Lagoon (Series)  
Vanleuen, Jean—Amanda Pig And Her Big Brother Oliver (Series)  
Wiesner, David—Flotsam  
Yolen, Jane—Commander Toad (Series)

### **Chapter Book Series**

Andrew Lost—Greenberg, J.C.  
Horrible Harry—Kline, Suzy  
The Magic Treehouse—Osborne, Mary Pope  
Rainbow Magic—Meadows, Daisy  
Zach Files—Greenberg, Dan

### **Nonfiction**

Barner, Bob—Bug Safari  
Hannah, Julie—The Man Who Named The Clouds  
Janeczko, Paul—Wing Nuts: Screwy Haiku  
Jenkins, Steve—Move!  
Leedy, Loreen—Follow The Money

## **Students Entering Third Grade - Suggested (Not Required)**

### **Fiction**

Byars, Betsy—Sos Files  
Cameron, Ann—The Stories Julian Tells  
Christopher, Matt—The Hit-Away Kid  
Clements, Andrew—Jake Drake Bully Buster  
Coville, Bruce—Space Brat (Series)  
Dahl, Roald—James And The Giant Peach  
Dicamillo, Kate—The Miraculous Journey Of Edward Tulane  
Gutman, Dan—Mr. Klutz Is Nuts (My Weird School Series)  
King- Smith, Dick—George Speaks  
Leguin, Ursula—Catwings (Fantasy)  
Mcdonald, Megan—Judy Moody Or Stink  
Pennypacker, Sarah—Clementine  
Polacco, Patricia—Thank You Mr. Falker  
Roy, Ron—A To Z Mysteries (Series)  
Rylant, Cynthia—Gooseberry Park  
Sachar, Louis—Marvin Redpost (Series)  
Scieszka, Jon—The Math Curse  
Stilton, G.—The Curse Of The Cheese Pyramid (Geronimo Stilton Series)  
Van Allsburg, Chris—The Sweetest Fig  
Van Draanen-Shredderman: Secret Identity (Series)

### **Nonfiction**

Lasky, Katherine—John Muir: America's First Environmentalist  
Peters, Lisa—Earthshake: Poems From The Ground Up  
Prelutsky, Jack—Behold The Bold Umbrellaphant  
Reynolds, Jan—Celebrate! Connections Among Cultures  
Schaefer, Lola—An Island Grows  
Smith, David—If The World Were A Village

## **Students Entering Fourth Grade - Suggested (Not Required)**

### **Fiction**

Amato, Mary—The Word Eater  
Clements, Andrew—Room One  
Colfer, Eoin—The Legend Of Spud Murphy  
Coville, Bruce—Jeremy Thatcher, Dragon Hatcher  
Creech, Sharon—Granny Torelli Makes Soup  
Dahl, Roald—Matilda Or Bfg  
Gutman, Dan-- Qwerty Stevens Back In Time With Ben Franklin  
Hale, Bruce—The Chameleon Wore Chartreuse (Chet Gecko Series)  
Hill, Kirkpatrick—The Year Of Miss Agnes  
Manes, Stephen—Make Four Million Dollars By Next Thursday  
Martin, Ann—The Doll People  
Napoli, Donna Jo—The Prince Of The Pond  
Noble, Trinko—The Scarlet Stocking Spy  
Osborne, Mary Pope—Dear America (Series)  
Park, Barbara—Skinnybones  
St. George, Judith—So You Want To Be President?  
Scieszka, Jon—Summer Reading Is Killing Me!  
Scieszka, Jon-See you later, Gladiater  
Winkler, Henry—Hank Zipper (Series)

### **Nonfiction**

Cheney, Lynne—A Is For Abigail  
Clements, Andrew—A Million Dots  
Cook, Peter—You Wouldn't Want To Sail On A 19th Century Whaling Ship  
Kane, Kristen—K Is For Keystone  
Korman, Susan—P Is For Philadelphia  
Schanzer, Rosalyn—How Ben Franklin Stole Lightning

## **Students Entering Fifth Grade - Suggested (Not Required)**

### **Fiction**

Amato, Mary—Please Write In This Book  
Avi—Crispin  
Bauer, Marion Dane—On My Honor  
Birdsall, Jeanne—The Penderwicks  
Creech, Sharon—Absolutely Normal Chaos  
Curtis, Christopher Paul—Bud, Not Buddy  
Funke, Cornelia—The Thief Lord  
Gantos, Jack—Joey Pigza Swallowed The Key  
Giff, Patricia Reilly—Pictures Of Hollis Woods  
Gutman, Dan—The Homework Machine  
Hamilton, Virginia—The House Of Dies Drear  
Haven, Paul—Two Hotdogs With Everything  
Ibbotsen, Eva—The Secret Of Platform 13  
Levine, Gail Carson—Fairest  
Lowry, Lois—Anastasia At This Address (Series)  
Naylor, Phyllis Reynolds—Shiloh  
Paulsen, Gary—Hatchet  
Riordan, Rick—The Lightning Thief (Series)  
Sachar, Louis—Small Steps  
Selznick, Brian—The Invention Of Hugo Cabret  
Skelton, Matthew—Endymion Spring  
Stewart, Trenton Lee—The Mysterious Benedict Society  
Stone, Jeff—Tiger (Five Ancestors Series)  
Woodruff, Elvira—The Ravenmaster's Secret

### **Nonfiction**

Armstrong, Jennifer—The American Story: 100 True Tales From American History  
Barnard, Bryn—Outbreak: Plagues That Changed History  
Cook, Peter—You Wouldn't Want To Be At The Boston Tea Party  
Fleishman, Sid—Escape: The Story Of The Great Houdini  
Freedman, Russel—Freedom Walkers  
Schanzer, Rosalyn—George Vs. George

## **Students Entering Sixth Grade - Suggested (Not Required)**

Bunting, Eve - Someone is Hiding on Alcatraz Island  
Clements, Andrew - A Week in the Woods  
Colfer, Eoin - Artemis Fowl  
Curtis, Christopher, Paul - Bud, Not Buddy  
Dahl, Roald - The Wonderful Story of Henry Sugar and Six More  
Danzinger, Paula and Martin, Ann - PS Longer Letter Later  
Di Camillo, Kate - Because of Winn-Dixie  
DuBois, William, Pene - The Twenty-One Balloons  
Eager, Edward - Half Magic  
Ellis, Deborah - The Breadwinner  
Feiffer, Jules - The Man in the Ceiling  
Funke, Cornelia - The Thief Lord  
Haddix, Margaret Peterson - Running Out of Time  
Hamilton, Virginia - Cousins  
Ibbotson, Eva - The Secret of Platform 13  
Konigsburg, E.L.- The View From Saturday  
Namoika, Lensey - Ties That Bind, Ties That Break  
Paulsen, Gary - Guts: the true stories behind Hatchet and the Brian Books  
Paulsen, Gary - Woodsong  
Peck, Richard - A Long Way from Chicago  
Rawls, Wilson - Where the Red Fern Grows  
Roberts, Willo Davis - What Could Go Wrong?  
Salisbury, Graham - Under the Blood Red Sun  
Sleator, William - The Duplicate  
Soto, Gary - Baseball in April and Other Stories  
van Draanen, Wendelin - Sammy Keyes and the Hotel Thief  
Whelan, Gloria - Homeless Bird  
Williams, Laura E. - Behind the Bedroom Wall  
Wrede, Patricia C. - Dealing With Dragons  
Yee, Lisa - Millicent Min: Girl Genius

## **Nonfiction**

Jones, Charlotte - Mistakes that worked-(Famous inventions made by mistake)  
White, Ryan - Ryan White: My Own Story  
Walker, Sally - Secrets of a civil war submarine: solving the mysteries of the H. L. Hunley.  
Freedman, Russell - Freedom Walkers.



## **Students Entering Seventh Grade - Suggested (Not Required)**

Atkins, Catherine - Alt Ed  
Avi - The True Confessions of Charlotte Doyl  
Barron, T.A. - The Lost Years of Merlin  
Bloor, Edward - Tangerine  
Creech, Sharon - The Wanderer  
Cushman, Karen - Catherine Called Birdy  
Duncan, Lois - Down a Dark Hall  
DuPrau, Jeanne - The City of Ember  
Funke, Cornelia - Inkheart  
Giblin, James - The Life and Death of Adolf Hitler  
Halvorson, Marilyn - Bull Rider  
Hesse, Karen,- Witness  
Hiaasen, Carl - Hoot  
Hinton, S.E. - The Outsiders  
Holt, Kimberly Willis - When Zachary Beaver Came to Town  
Jacques, Brian - Redwall (and series)  
Kielburger, Craig - Free the Children  
Krull, Kathleen - Leonardo Da Vinci  
Levine, Gail Carson - Ella Enchanted  
Osa, Nancy - Cuba 15  
Rinaldi, Ann - A Break With Charity  
Sachar, Louis - Holes  
Schusterman, Neal - The Schwa Was Here  
Woodson, Jacqueline - Locomotion

## **Nonfiction**

Armstrong, Jennifer – Shipwreck at the Bottom of the World  
Bridges, Ruby – Through My Eyes  
Cummins, Julie-Tomboy of the Air:Daredevil Pilot Blanche Stuart Scott  
Deem, James M- Bodies From the Ice : Melting Glaciers and the Recovery of the Past  
Janeczko, Paul-Top Secret : Handbook of Codes, Ciphers and Secret Writing

## **Students Entering Eighth Grade - Suggested (Not Required)**

Alexander, Lloyd – The Book of Three  
Anderson, Laurie Halse –Fever 1793  
Blackwood, Gary – The Shakespeare Stealer  
Blais, Madeleine• In These Girls, Hope is a Muscle  
Bloor, Edward - Tangerine  
Cooney, Caroline – Code Orange  
Deuker, Carl - On the Devil's Court  
Doyle, Sir Arthur Conan - The Hound of the Baskervilles (Sir Arthur Conan Doyle)  
Draper, Sharon – Fire From the Rock  
Du Maurier, Daphne - • Rebecca  
Evangelista, Beth - Gifted  
Farmer, Nancy - • The House of the Scorpion  
Flake, Sharon-The Skin I'm In  
Frank, Anne - The Diary of Anne Frank (Anne Frank, Otto Frank)  
Freitas, Donna – The Possibilities of Sainthood  
Gaiman, Neil-The Graveyard Book  
Hautman, Pete - Snatched  
Krakauer, Jon - Into Thin Air  
Landy, Derek – Skulduggery Pleasant  
Napoli, Donna Jo - • Zel  
Paulsen, Gary • My Life in Dog Years  
Paulsen, Gary –Lawn Boy  
Peters, Julie Anne – Define Normal  
Pierce, Tamora - First Test  
Ryan, Pam Munoz-Esperanza Rising  
Spinelli, Jerry - Milkweed  
Shusterman, Neal-The Schwa Was Here  
Tolkien, J.R.R. - • The Hobbit,  
Woodson, Jacqueline - I Hadn't Meant to Tell You This

## **Nonfiction**

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Bridges, Ruby – Through My Eyes  
Cummins, Julie-Tomboy of the Air : Daredevil Pilot Blanche Stuart Scott  
Deem, James M- Bodies From the Ice : Melting Glaciers and the Recovery of the Past  
Janeczko, Paul-Top Secret : Handbook of Codes, Ciphers and Secret Writing  
Macy, Sue – Bull's Eye: A Photobiography of Annie Oakley  
McKissack, Patricia – Black Diamond : The Story of the Negro Baseball Leagues  
Murphy, Jim – American Plague  
Myers, Walter Dean- Antarctica: Journeys to the South Pole

Woodford, Chris- Cool Stuff and How it Works