

Summer Reading 2014



1st-6th Grades

Orangewood Academy



Our teachers and students have worked very hard all year; your children will finish this school year as better readers. As you know, good readers read DAILY. Recent brain research shows us that practice is necessary in order to master strategies that are critical to the success of the reading process. The more students read, the more proficient they become at reading and writing. Summer is a great time to read to your children! It is also a wonderful time of year for students to read books for pleasure and to nurture a love for reading.

Teachers and other educators identify summer learning loss as a major challenge when starting off the new school year. However, students who read over the summer return to school ready to continue their learning with little or no learning loss. This year we have compiled Summer Reading lists for students in 1st - 6th grades. Each teacher has list consisting of 5 or more books of fiction and/or non-fiction titles. We will have the computer lab open the first Wednesday of July & August for your child to come in and take AR quizzes on the books they have read over the summer.

Wednesday, July 2nd & Wednesday, August 6th

Thank you for the academic support. We hope students enjoy reading over the summer months and also take advantage of getting ahead start on their required AR points for the coming school year.

1st Grade

The Eye Book by Theo LeSieg Level B, 0.8

Go, Dog. Go! by P.D. Eastman Level C, 1.2

Clifford's Word Book by Norman Bridwell Level C, 1.2

Green Eggs and Ham by Dr. Seuss Level E, 1.5

Knuffle Bunny by Mo Willems Level E, 1.6

One Fish, Two Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish by Dr. Seuss Level F, 1.7

The Cat in the Hat by Dr. Seuss Level H, 2.1

2nd Grade

Amelia Bedelia and the Baby by Peggy Parish Level H, 2.0

The Best Nest by P.D. Eastman Level H, 2.1

Polar Bear, Polar Bear, What Do You Hear? By Bill Martin Jr./Eric Carle Level H, 2.1

The Very Greedy Bee by Steve Smallman Level J, 2.5

The Giving Tree by Shel Silverstein Level J, 2.6

Big Smelly Bear by Britta Teckentrup Level J, 2.6

Yoko by Rosemary Wells Level L, 2.9

3rd Grade

Julian's Glorious Summer by Ann Cameron 3.1

Fudge-a-mania by Judy Blume 3.3

Stinky Sneakers; Nasty by Eve Bunting 3.3

The One & Only Ivan by Katherine Applegate 3.6

The Whipping Boy by Sid Fleischman 3.9

Rules by Cynthia Lord 3.9

Anne of Green Gables by Kathleen Olmstead 3.9

Or any books from the following series:

Magic Tree House Series
A-Z Mystery Series
American Girls Collection Series
Geronimo Stilton Series
Boxcar Children Series

4th Grade

Black Beauty by Pauline Francis 4.0

Firegirl by Tony Abbott 4.1

The Lemonade War by Jacqueline Davies 4.3

Harriet the Spy by Louise Fitzhugh 4.5

Dear Mr. Henshaw by Beverly Cleary 4.9

Dacey's Song by Cynthia Voigt 5.0

A Little Princess by Tania Zamorsky 5.1

Island of the Blue Dolphins by Scott O'Dell 5.4

5th Grade

Little House on the Prairie by Laura Ingalls Wilder 4.9, 8 pts

Sign of the Beaver by Elizabeth George Speare 4.9, 5 pts

I Survived: The Nazi Invasion by Lauren Tarshis 5.1, 2 pts

Socks by Beverly Cleary 5.2, 2 pts

My Side of the Mountain by Jean Craighead George 5.2, 6 pts

King of the Wind by Marguerite Henry 5.4, 5 pts

Safe at Home by Mike Lupica 5.6, 5 pts

When Hitler Stole Pink Rabbit by Judith Kerr 5.7, 9 pts

6th Grade

The Adventures of Tom Sawyer by Deidre Laiken 5.3, 2 pts

The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn by Mark Twain 6.6, 18 pts

Hoot by Carl Hiaasen 5.2, 9 pts

The Giver by Lois Lowry 5.7, 7 pts

Holes by Louis Sachar 4.6, 7 pts

The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe by C.S. Lewis *Abridged* 4.9, 1 pt *or Unabridged* 5.7, 6 pts

The Indian in the Cupboard by Lynne Reid Banks 4.7, 7 pts

Bud, Not Buddy by Christopher Paul Curtis 5.0, 8 pts

The Diary of a young Girl by Anne Frank 6.5, 14 pts