

Saint Joseph School - Required Summer Reading and Activities for 2017-2018

Entering Grades 1-2 Note: Most incoming first graders and some second graders will not be able to read the books listed for their grade level. Parents are asked to read the books to their child so that the child is familiar with the story.

Grade 1 *Chrysanthemum* by Kevin Henkes
Pete the Cat Rocking in My School Shoes by Eric Litwin

Grade 2 *Henry and Mudge and the Happy Cat* by Cynthia Rylant
Diary of a Fly by Doreen Cronin

Grade 3 Note: Students entering grade 3 will take AR tests and complete a project when they return to school in August.

Grade 3 Read any book from the *My Weird School Series* by Dan Gutman
Read any book from the *Cam Jansen Series* by David Adler

Grade 4 & 5 Note: Students in Grade 4 and 5 will take AR tests and complete a project upon return to school in August.

Grade 4 *Chocolate Fever* by Robert Kimmel Smith
War with Grandpa by Robert Smith

Students Entering Grades 5 – Choose one of the fiction books and choose two of the Magic Tree House Research Guide Books. Students entering grade 5 will be reading a total of three books.

Grade 5 *Coraline* by Neil Geiman (Fiction)
Frindle by Andrew Clements (Fiction)
Dear Mr. Henshaw by Andrew Clements (Fiction)
Ancient Rome & Pompeii, Magic Tree House Fast Tracker #2
Space, Magic Tree House Fact Tracker #6
Knights and Castles, Magic Tree House Fact Tracker #8
American Revolution, Magic Tree House Fact Tracker #13
Sabertooths and the Ice Age, Magic Tree House Fact Tracker #15
Ghosts, Magic Tree House Fact Tracker #18
Rags to Riches: Kids in Time of Charles Dickens, Magic Tree House Fact Tracker #20

Junior High – Students entering Grade 6, 7 & 8

Junior high students are required to read two novels that MUST be on the school AR list, based upon their AR level. The AR list can be found on the school website, www.sjscrescent.com in the upper right hand corner under the search window. Books that are chosen must be at the AR level (can be higher-NOT lower) the student was at the end of the school year. The AR level is determined by a Star Reader test given to our students in school. All students were given their AR level the last semester of school.

Incoming 6th graders must read two novels with no lower than a 3 point value book
Incoming 7th and 8th graders should read no lower than a 4 point book.

Students must take an AR test for each novel. The grades will be recorded as part of their first quarter reading grade. These AR tests may be taken upon return to school in August or on the following dates in the summer in the SJS Computer Lab. **These A/R test dates are for Grade 6, 7 & 8 ONLY.**

Monday, July 10 – 10:00 – 11:30 am ***** Monday, July 24 – 10:00 – 11:30 am