

**St. Emily School 2023/24  
Recommended Summer Reading List**

**New Grade in Fall**

**TITLE/S**

**KINDERGARTEN**

**Read to your Kindergartener:**

Countdown to Kindergarten by A. McGhee  
Kindergarten Rocks by K. Davis  
The Night before Kindergarten by N. Wing  
Where the Wild Things Are by M. Sendak  
Pete the Cat series by Kimberly & James Dean  
Wemberly Worried by Kevin Henkes

**Read together:**

Nursery Rhyme and Repetition Books  
Are You My Mother? By P.D. Eastman  
(Cat in the Hat book series)  
The Cat in the Hat by Dr. Seuss  
One Fish, Two Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish by Dr. Seuss  
The Pigeon Series by Mo Willems

**Learn to Read:**

Bob books series 1 & 2 published by Scholastic  
Hello Reader! Scholastic books  
I Can Read books level 1 & 2 published by Harper Collins  
Step into Reading Series by Random House

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**Step 1 Level Books:**

Biscuit books by Alyssa Satin Capucilli  
Clifford books by Norman Bridwell  
Gus books by Frank Remkiewicz  
Noodles books by Hans Wilhelm

**Step 2 Level Books:**

Amelia Bedelia books by Peggy Parish  
Frog & Toad books by Arnold Lobel  
Henry & Mudge books by Cynthia Rylant  
Magic School bus books by Joanna Cole  
Young Cam Jansen books by David A. Adler  
Early Chapter Books:  
Cam Jansen books by David A. Adler  
Class From the Black Lagoon books by Mike Thaler  
Flat Stanley books by Jeff Brown

**2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Level 2 and 3 Books**

Amelia Bedelia by P. Parish  
Berenstain Bears by S. & J. Berenstain  
Mr. Putter and Tabby by C. Rylant  
Franklin books by P. Bourgeois & B. Clark  
Bad Kitty by N. Bruel  
Kids of Polk St. School series by P.R. Giff  
Mrs Piggie Wiggle books by B. MacDonald  
Pinky & Rex books by J. Howe  
Magic Tree House series by M.P. Osborne  
Books by Andrew Clements  
Books by Jerry Spinelli

**3<sup>rd</sup>**

**Books by Authors listed** (at child's independent reading level)  
Beverly Cleary, Matt Christopher, Geronimo Stilton, Louis Sachar,  
Johanna Hurwitz, Betsy Byars  
Margaret Davidson (biographies)  
Seymour Simon (informational books)  
Judith St. George (So You Want to be President?)  
Magic Tree House series by Mary Pope Osborne  
A Jigsaw Jones Mystery series by James Preller  
A – Z Mysteries Series  
I Survived Series by Lauren Tashis  
Ranger in Time by Kate Messner  
Baby-Sitters Club by Ann Martin

**4<sup>th</sup>**

The Penderwicks: A Summer Tale of 4 Sisters, 2 Rabbits, & a Very Interesting Boy by  
J. Birdsall  
The Anybodies by N.E. Bode  
Ruthie's Gift by K. B. Bradley  
Ramona's World series by Beverly Cleary  
A Week in the Woods by A. Clements  
Charlie & the Chocolate Factory by R. Dahl  
The Tale of Despereaux by K. DiCarrillo  
Hardy Boys series by F. W. Dixon  
Dragon Rider by C. Funke  
Picture of Hollis Woods by P. Reilly Giff  
Honus and Me by D. Gutman  
Nancy Drew series by C. Keene  
Ella Enchanted by G. Carson Levine  
Shiloh trilogy by P. Reynolds Naylor  
Midnight for Charlie Bone series by J. Nimmo  
Becoming Naomi Leon by P. Munoz Ryan  
Chocolate Fever by R. K. Smith  
The Bad Beginning series by L. Snicket  
Smart Dog by V. VandeVelde

**5<sup>th</sup>**

Million Dollar Shot by D. Gutman  
Million Dollar Strike by D. Gutman  
I'm going to be Famous by T. Birdseye  
Matilda by R. Dahl  
A Wrinkle in Time by M. L'Engle  
The Magician's Nephew by C. S. Lewis  
House of Dies Drear by V. Hamilton  
Strider by B. Cleary  
The BFG by R. Dahl  
The Cricket in Times Square by G. Selden  
Inkspell by C. Funke  
Agnes Parker, Girl in Progress by K. O'Dell  
The Lightening Thief by R. Riordan  
Indigos Star by H. McKay  
Drift House by D. Peck  
Silver Fin by C. Higson  
Kira-Kira by C. Kadohata  
Camp Confidential by M. Morgan

## 6TH, 7TH, & 8TH GRADES

10,000 DAYS OF THUNDER – PHILIP CAPUTO

THE ABILITY – M.M. VAUGHAN

THE ABSOLUTELY TRUE DIARY OF A PART-TIME INDIAN – SHERMAN ALEXIE

THE ADVENTURES OF SHERLOCK HOLMES – SIR ARTHUR CONAN DOYLE

AIR RAID – PEARL HARBOR – THEODORE TAYLOR

AL CAPONE DOES MY SHIRTS – GENNIFER CHOLDENKO

AMERICAN BORN CHINESE – GENE LUEN YANG

AMONG THE HIDDEN – MARGARET HADDIX

THE AMULET OF SAMARKAND – JONATHAN STROUD

AND NOT AFRAID TO DARE – TONYA BOLDEN

ANYA'S GHOST – VERA BROSGOL

THE BATBOY – MIKE LUPICA

BAYOU DOGS – TONY ABBOTT

THE BEAST OF CRETACEA – TODD STRASSER

THE BIG FIELD – MIKE LUPICA

BIGGER THAN A BREADBOX – LAUREL SNYDER

THE BOYFRIEND LIST – E.LOCKART

BREADCRUMBS – ANNE URSU

THE CAY – THEODORE TAYLOR

CHASING LINCOLN'S KILLER – JAMES SWANSON

CITY OF THE DEAD – TONY ABBOTT

CODE TALKER – JOSEPH BRUCHAC

CRASH – JERRY SPINELLI

CULLOO – MURIELLE CYR

DOLPHIN SONG – LAUREN ST. JOHN

DON'T JUDGE A GIRL BY HER COVER – ALLY CARTER

DRAMA – RAINA TELGEMEIER

THE DRY – R.L. NOLEN

THE EMERALD ATLAS – JOHN STEPHENS

THE ESCAPE OF PRINCESS MADELINE – KIRSTIN PULIOFF

ESPERENZA RISING – PAM RYAN

EVIL STAR – ANTHONY HOROWITZ

FOOTBALL GENIUS – TIM GREEN

FOR ANIMAL LOVERS – KIM CANO

FLUSH – CARL HIAASON

THE GIRL WHO CIRCUMNAVIGATED FAIRYLAND IN A SHIP OF HER OWN MAKING – CATHERYNN M. VALENTE

THE GIRL WHO SURVIVED – BRONIA BRANDMAN

GO BIG OR GO HOME – WILL HOBBS

HEROES DON'T RUN – HARRY MAZUR

HOLES – LOUIS SACHAR

IF I TELL YOU I LOVE YOU, THEN I'D HAVE TO KILL YOU – ALLY CARTER

JADE GREEN – PHYLLIS NAYLOR

LAST SHOT: A FINAL FOUR MYSTERY – JOHN FEINSTEIN

THE LIGHTNING THIEF – RICK RIORDAN

LOSERS – MATTHUE ROTH

THE MAGIC OF FINKLETON – KC HILTON

MINNO – JAME BARLOG

OKAY FOR NOW – GARY D. SCHMIDT

PEAK – ROLAND SMITH  
PROPHECY OF THE SISTERS – MICHELLE ZINK  
RULES – CYNTHIA LORD  
SECRETS OF THE REALM – BEV STOUT  
SMILE – RAINA TELGEMEIER  
STARGIRL – JERRY SPINELLI  
THE STONE GODDESS – MINFONG HO  
STORM THIEF – CHRIS WOODING  
STUDENTS ON STRIKE – JOHN STOKES  
SWITCH! THE LOST KINGDOMS OF KARIBU – KAREN PRINCE

TANGERINE – EDWARD BLOOR  
TEENS AT WAR – ALLAN ZULLO  
THE DIARY OF A WIMPY KID SERIES – JEFF KINNEY  
THE HARRY POTTER SERIES – JK ROWLING  
THINGS NOT SEEN – ANDREW CLEMENTS  
TRUCE – JIM MURPHY  
TUNNELS – RODERICK GORDON  
UPRISING – MARGARET HADDIX  
VICTORY – SUSAN COOPER  
WAIT TILL HELEN COMES –MARY HAHN  
WE HEAR THE DEAD – DIANE SALEMI  
THE WHITE GIRAFFE – LAUREN ST. JOHN  
WORDS IN THE DUST – TRENT REEDY