

SCA Middle School Summer Reading Challenge!



Reading is essential for success in education. Studies show that students who consistently read perform better in school than students who do not. We want to encourage students not only to read for academics, but also for pleasure. Like any skill, practice makes perfect, so we want to encourage students to take this year's Summer Reading Challenge.

Mrs. Kretzer, Mrs. Thomas, and Mrs. Jost have compiled a list of appropriate books from the 5th- 9th grade level. These books range in genre and topic, so there is definitely something for even the most picky reader. Students are encouraged to read at least one of the books on the list, but they may read as many as they like. There will be a tiered incentive upon return to school for those students who complete the one book challenge as well as those who read more. Incentive levels will be decided based upon number and length of books read.

Photo Challenge!!

We would love to see all of the different exciting places that students read this summer. Students may take a photo of themselves reading to be posted on the SCA Facebook page. They can take a picture reading on the beach, in a tree, at camp, with a friend, etc. The possibilities are endless! Students may send the picture to Mrs. Thomas (stthomas@scacrusaders.com) with a short description of where the picture was taken. Prizes will be awarded to the most creative photos.

SCA Middle School Summer Reading Log



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****Feel free to make copies if extra spaces are needed!**

Book List

Series:

Anne of Green Gables Series –Lucy Maude Montgomery
The Hunger Games Series –Suzanne Collins
Chronicles of Narnia Series –C.S. Lewis
Shadow Children Series –Margaret Haddix
A Winkle in Time Quintet –Madeleine L'Engle
The Inheritance Series –Christopher Paolini
A Series of Unfortunate Events –Lemony Snicket
Percy Jackson and the Olympians Series –Rick Riordan
The Lord of the Rings Series –J.R.R. Tolkien
The Crispin Series –Avi
Life Behind the Wall Series –Robert Elmer

Classics:

Heidi –Johanna Spyri
The Secret Garden –Frances Hodgson Burnett
Oliver Twist –Charles Dickens
Black Beauty –Anna Sewell
Pygmalion –George Bernard Shaw
The Picture of Dorian Gray –Oscar Wilde
The Scarlet Pimpernel –Baroness Orczy
The Red Badge of Courage –Stephen Crane

Classics Continued:

Emma –Jane Austen
Rikki-Tikki-Tavi –Rudyard Kipling
The Adventures of Tom Sawyer –Mark Twain
The Importance of Being Earnest –Oscar Wilde
The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn –Mark Twain
Pride and Prejudice –Jane Austen
Jane Eyre –Charlotte Bronte
Alice Through the Looking Glass –Lewis Carroll
Animal Farm –George Orwell
Christy –Catherine Marshall
National Velvet –Enid Bagnold
Pollyanna –Eleanor Porter

The Hound of the Baskervilles –Sir Arthur Conan Doyle
Where the Red Fern Grows –Wilson Rawls
The Prince and the Pauper –Mark Twain
Kim –Rudyard Kipling
Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm –Kate Wiggin
The Glass Menagerie –Tennessee Williams
Murder on the Orient Express –Agatha Christie
Swiss Family Robinson –Johann Wyss
Treasure Island –Robert Louis Stevenson
Old Yeller –Fred Gibson

Historical Fiction:

SOS Titanic –James Castigan
The True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle –Avi
Sarah Bishop –Scott O'Dell
Catherine, Called Birdy –Karen Cushman
Caddie Woodlawn –Carol Ryrie Brink
Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry –Mildred Taylor
The Boy in the Striped Pajamas –John Boyne
Rifles for Waite –Harold Keith
Prisoner B-3087 –Alan Gratz
The Bronze Bow –Elizabeth George Speare
Hidden Like Anne Frank –Marcel Prins & Peter Henk Steenhuis
The Devil's Arithmetic –Jane Yolen
Johnny Tremain –Esther Forbes
Summer of My German Soldier –Bette Greene
Bomb: The Race to Build...and Steal...the World's Most Dangerous Weapon –Steve Sheinkin
My Brother Sam is Dead –James Lincoln Collier & Christopher Collier
The Witch of Blackbird Pond –Elizabeth George Speare
The Boys Who Challenged Hitler –Phillip Hoose
Fever 1793 –Laurie Halse Anderson
The Mighty Miss Malone –Christopher Paul Curtis
The Sign of the Beaver –Elizabeth George Speare
The Light in the Forest –Conrad Richter

Fantasy:

City of Ember –Jeanne DuPrau
The Secret of NIMH –Ken Anderson
Variant –Robinson Wells
Ender's Game –Orson Scott Card
Coraline –Neil Gaiman
Matilda –Roald Dahl
The Stinky Cheese Man and Other Fairly Stupid Tales –Jon Scieszka
Mary Poppins –P.L. Travers
The Twits –Roald Dahl
The Phantom Tollbooth –Norton Juster
The Indian in the Cupboard –Lynne Reid Banks
The Princess Bride –William Goldman
Bridge to Terabithia –Katherine Paterson
Pippi Longstocking –Astrid Lindgren
James and the Giant Peach –Roald Dahl
Tuck Everlasting –Natalie Babbitt
Charlie and the Chocolate Factory –Roald Dahl
The Hobbit –J.R.R Tolkien
The Castle in the Attic –Trina Hyman
The Whipping Boy –Sid Fleischman
Flowers for Algernon –Daniel Keyes
The Little Prince –Antoine de Saint-Exupery
King of the Wind: The Story of Godolphin Arabian –Marguerite Henry
Mark of the Thief –Jennifer Nielsen
Strawberry Girl –Lois Lenski

Realistic Fiction:

The Westing Game –Ellen Raskin
Hatchet –Gary Paulsen
The River –Gary Paulsen
Brian's Winter –Gary Paulsen
My Louisiana Sky –Kimberly Willis Holt
Jacob Have I Loved –Katherine Paterson
The Face on the Milk Carton –Caroline B. Cooney
Peak –Roland Smith
Rebecca –Daphne du Maurier
Because of Winn-Dixie –Kate DiCamillo

The Call of the Wild –Jack London
White Fang –Jack London
Wonder –Raquel J. Palacio
Island of the Blue Dolphins –Scott O'Dell
Julie of the Wolves –Jean Craighead George
The Lottery Rose –Irene Hunt
Lord of the Flies –William Golding
Paper Towns –John Green
Nothing But the Truth –Avi

Non-Fiction:

Rachel's Tears –Beth Nimmo & Darrell Scott
The Hiding Place –Corrie ten Boom
Soul Surfer –Bethany Hamilton
A Night to Remember –Walter Lord
The Miracle Worker –William Gibson
I Beat the Odds: From Homelessness, to the Blind Side, and Beyond –Michael Oher
The 7 Habits of Highly Effective Teens –Sean Covey
Seabiscuit: An American Legend –Laura Hillenbrand
Anne Frank: The Diary of A Young Girl –Anne Frank
Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass –Frederick Douglass
Presenting Buffalo Bill: The Man Who Invented the Wild West –Candace Fleming
Boy: Tales of Childhood –Roald Dahl
Cheaper By the Dozen –Ernestine Gilbreth Carey
Night –Elie Wiesel
Samurai Rising –Pamela S. Turner
Gifted Hands: The Ben Carson Story –Ben Carson
Hidden Figures –Margot Lee Shetterly

Poetry & Short Stories:

The Lottery and Other Stories –Shirley Jackson
The Poetry of Robert Frost –Robert Frost
The Raven and Other Poems –Edgar Allan Poe
Where the Sidewalk Ends –Shel Silverstein
