



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 (sthomas@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

Title: _____ *Total Pages in Book:* _____

Parent Signature: _____ *Student Name:* _____

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

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

The Harry Potter Series - J.K. Rowling

The Alex Rider Series - Anthony Horowitz

The Left Behind Series - LaHaye/Jenkins

Nancy Drew Series - Carolyn Keene

The Hardy Boys Series - Franklin Dixon

The Little House on the Prairie Series - Laura Ingalls Wilder

The Land of Stories Series - Chris Colfer

The Young James Bond Series - Charlie Higson

The Artemis Fowl Series - Eoin Colfer

When Calls the Heart Series - Janette Oke

Kingdom Keepers Series - Ridley/Pearson

Love Comes Softly Series - Janette Oke

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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

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

Little Men - Louisa May Alcott

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

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Classics Continued:

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

Fantasy:

City of Ember -Jeanne DuPrau

The Secret of NIMH -Ken Anderson

Variant -Robinson Wells

Ender's Game -Orson Scott Card

Messenger - Lois Lowry

Gathering Blue - Lois Lowry

Coraline -Neil Gaiman

Beauty: A Retelling of the Story of Beauty and the Beast - Robin McKinley

Matilda -Roald Dahl

The Little Prince -Antoine de Saint-Exupery

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Fantasy Continued:

The Bridge to Neverland - Dave Barry/Ridley Pearson

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

Space Race - Sylvia Waugh

Bridge to Terabithia -Katherine Paterson

Pippi Longstocking -Astrid Lindgren

James and the Giant Peach -Roald Dahl

Tuck Everlasting -Natalie Babbitt

The Penderwicks - Jeanne Birdsall

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

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Historical Fiction:

SOS Titanic -James Castigan

The True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle -Avi

Sarah Bishop -Scott O'Dell

A Night Divided -Jennifer Nielsen

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

Ripper - Stefan Petrucha

Miss Spitfire: Reaching Helen Keller - Sarah Miller

Rifles for Waite -Harold Keith

The Book Thief - Markus Zusak

Chains - Laurie Halse Anderson

Forge - Laurie Halse Anderson

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

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

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Historical Fiction Continued:

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

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 Silent Boy - Lois Lowry

The River -Gary Paulsen

Brian's Winter -Gary Paulsen

My Louisiana Sky -Kimberly Willis Holt

The Face on the Milk Carton -Caroline B. Cooney

Peak -Roland Smith

Game Changers - Mike Lupica

Rebecca -Daphne du Maurier

Because of Winn-Dixie -Kate DiCamillo

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Realistic Fiction Continued:

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 Douglas -Frederick Douglas

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Non-Fiction Continued:

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

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