Oak Hall Episcopal School

2023 Summer Reading List

for students entering: First Grade

In First Grade, we are just beginning the phase of learning to read. Accelerated Reader is a program that we use at Oak Hall for assessing comprehension, but also so that students are modeling the character traits of being responsible and accountable for their reading. Since these tests are new for First Graders, we spend the first nine weeks on the login process and what an AR test looks like. Then, as students feel comfortable, I give them more responsibility to test on their own. Each child is given an AR goal (or number of points to work towards in the nine weeks) based upon his or her reading level obtained by the STAR reading assessment given at the beginning of each nine weeks. Children are encouraged to test on their own in order to get an accurate comprehension score.

Oak Hall students are lifelong and year-round learners! Summer provides many opportunities for our students to enjoy unforgettable books while practicing reading and comprehension skills. Please note the required title for your child's grade. This is the book your child's teacher will use during the first weeks of school.

The required reading should be completed prior to the start of school. Each student will borrow a copy of the required reading from the library to be returned the first day of school.

Required Reading:

The Night Before First Grade by Natasha Wing

Suggested Series:

Biscuit Series by Alyssa Capucilli

Dr. Seuss books

Frog and Toad series by Arnold Lobel

If You give a Mouse Series by Laura Numeroff

Pete the Cat series by James Dean and Eric Litwin

Suggested Authors: Tedd Arnold, Margaret Brown, Eric Carle, Doreen Cronin, Kevin Henkes, Margaret Hillert, Ezra Jack Keats, Bill Martin Jr., Mercer Mayer, Barbara Park, H.A. Rey, Maurice Sendak, David Shannon, Shel Silverstein, E.B. White, and Mo Willems.