

Oak Hall Episcopal School

Summer Reading List

for students entering: First Grade

2020-2021

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 log in 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 readings should be completed prior to the start of school. The library will be closed for circulation this summer due to the COVID-19 Pandemic. Each student will be provided their own copy of the required reading and a second novel to complete the required reading. If you would like to read a different book that what is assigned, you may purchase a book from the second novel list.***

Required Reading:

The Night Before First Grade by Natasha Wing

Suggested Series:

Biscuit Series by Alyssa Capucilli

Pete the Cat series by James Dean

Frog and Toad series by Arnold Lobel

Dr. Seuss books

If You give a Mouse Series by Laura Numeroff

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