

“Loving the Other, Celebrating Differences”
2019 The Westminster School at Oak Mountain Summer Reading

In order to maintain and improve the reading skills of our students and to foster a love for reading, we believe that summer reading is an important part of your child’s continuing education. Studies show that most young readers suffer a regression in reading skills over the summer months, but children who continue to read actually gain skills. We pray that our families will make reading a priority during the summer months, helping our students realize that people never take a vacation from learning.

Complete a quilt square for each book read this summer that celebrates “Loving the Other”. Prizes will be awarded to students who return at least six squares on Meet Your Teacher Day.

2nd Through 6th Grade Required Reading Books

Rising 2nd graders: *The Magic Tree House #22: Revolutionary War on Wednesday* Osborne
Nate the Great and the Phony Clue Sharmat

Rising 3rd graders: *The Mouse and the Motorcycle* Cleary

Rising 4th graders: *The Whipping Boy* Fleischman

Rising 5th graders: *The Sign of the Beaver* Speare

Rising 6th graders: *Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry* Taylor

The additional pagination requirement for summer reading is as follows:

3rd grade: 300 pages (in addition to the required reading)

4th grade: 400 pages (in addition to the required reading)

5th and 6th grades: 500 pages (in addition to the required reading)

PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR CHILD IS READING 30 MINUTES EVERY DAY.

Summer Book Club Books

Rising 1st graders: *The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane* (di Camillo)

Rising 2nd grade girls: *The King’s Equal* (Paterson)
Mrs. Katz and Tush (Polacco)

Rising 2nd grade boys: *Rikki Tikki Tavi* (Kipling)
Mrs. Katz and Tush (Polacco)

Rising 3rd graders: *The Family Under the Bridge* (Carlson)

Rising 4th graders: *Maniac Magee* (Spinelli)

Rising 5th graders: *Shooting Kabul* (Senzai)

Rising 6th graders: *Wonder* (Palacio)

“Loving the Other” Recommended Readings

Grades K-2

Biblioburro: A True Story from Colombia (Winter)
The Egyptian Cinderella (Climo)
The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind (Kamkwamba)
Lon Po Po: A Red-Riding Hood Story from China (Young)
Strega Nona (de Paola)
Trial by Ice: A Photobiography of Sir Ernest Shackleton (Kostyal)
The Snowy Day (Keats)
The Gardener (Stewart)
Last Stop on Market Street (De La Pena)
A Chair for My Mother (Williams)
Amazing Grace (Hoffman)
Anna Hibiscus (Atinuke)

Grades 3-6

Fish in a Tree (Hunt)
Out of My Mind (Draper)
A Forest, a Flood, and an Unlikely Star (Myhre)
Esperanza Rising (Ryan)
A Long Walk to Water (Park)
A Single Shard (Park)
Anne of Green Gables (Montgomery)
Homeless Bird (Whelan)
Heart of a Samurai (Preus)
After the Train (Whelan)
Nory Ryan's Song (Giff)
Storm Boy (Lewis)
Number the Stars (Lowry)
A Poem for Peter: The Story of Extra Jack Keats... (Pinkney)
Cilla Lee-Jankins: Future Author Extraordinaire (Tan)
When Mischievous Came to Town (Nannestad)
All of a Kind Family (Taylor)
Bud, Not Buddy (Rogers)
Echo (Ryan)
Stella by Starlight (Draper)
Inside Out and Back Again (Lai)
Red Scarf Girl (Jiang)
Where the Mountain Meets the Moon (Lin)
Brown Girl Dreaming (Woodson)
Pink and Say (Polacco)
Pollyanna
Heidi (Spyri)

Biography Series:

Heroes of the Faith, Torch Bearers, Trail Blazers

Additional book recommendations are listed on the school's website.

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Author _____
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