

# St. Theresa School 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade

## Summer Reading and Recitation List 2018



### Reading:

*Please choose and read at least one book each month of June, July, and August. Don't forget to sign up for the Summer Reading Program at Palatine Public Library!*

### Select and read at least two (2) – at least one in June and at least one in July:

Title	Author	Lex	Summary
Absent Author, The	Roy, Ron	510	First of the A-Z Mystery series. A is for Author . . . A famous writer is coming to Green Lawn! Dink rushes to the bookstore to meet his favorite author, Wallis Wallace, and get all his books signed. But the author never shows up! Where is Wallis Wallace? It's up to Dink and his friends Josh and Ruth Rose to track him down.
American Tall Tales	Stoutenburg, Adrien	970	This book features eight American folk heroes: Paul Bunyan, Pecos Bill, Stormalong, Mike Fink, Davy Crockett, Johnny Appleseed, John Henry, and Joe Magarac.
Annie and the Old One	Miles, Miska	700	Annie is upset when her Navajo grandmother tells her that when Annie's mother completes the rug she is weaving, that the grandmother will die. Annie begins to unweave the rug in secret, hoping to hold back time.
Apple Tree Christmas	Noble, Trinka H.		A beloved Christmas tale, moving and nostalgic, it reveals the joy of a very special present and the love that a father and daughter share.
Bears on Hemlock Mountain, The	Dalgliesh, Alice	490	A boy sent on an errand over Hemlock Mountain is not so sure he likes going alone because there may be bears on the mountain, but with the help of the big iron pot he borrows, he completes his errand.
Boxcar Children books - any	Warner, Gertrude Chandler	490	This series features the Alden children, age 14 to 6, who are orphaned and running away from their grandfather, whom they've never met but believe to be cruel. The book ends happily when the children are reunited with their grandfather, who turns out to be a kind, wealthy gentleman. Each novel in the series revolves around a different mystery the four Alden children solve.
Boy of the Three-Year Nap, The	Snyder, Dianne	610	A poor Japanese woman manipulates events to change the lazy habits of her son.
Brother Eagle, Sister Sky, A Message from Chief Seattle	Jeffers, Susan	740	When the land that belongs to his people is sold to white men, Chief Seattle describes his people's love of the land and asks the white men to cherish it as his people have cherished it.
Buddy File books - any	Bulter, Dori Hillstad	460	Book 1 starts with King who has a very big mystery to solve. His family is missing, and he's been put in the P-O-U-N-D. Why doesn't his beloved human (Kayla) come to get him? When King is adopted by Connor and his mom, things get more confusing. The new family calls him Buddy!
Cam Jansen Books - any	Adler, David	390	A series of books following the exploits of a fifth grade female detective named Jennifer "Cam" Jansen and her best friend Eric

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Charlotte's Web	White, E.B.	680	<i>Some Pig. Humble. Radiant.</i> These are the words in Charlotte's Web, high up in Zuckerman's barn. Charlotte's spider web tells of her feelings for a little pig named Wilbur, who simply wants a friend. They also express the love of a girl named Fern, who saved Wilbur's life when he was born the runt of his litter.
Children's Book of Heroes, The	Bennett, William	820	A beautifully illustrated celebration of heroic deeds, both real and fictional, that will delight and inspire millions of young children and their parents.
Cinderella	Perrault, Charles	860	Traditional tale of Cinderella and her step sisters.
Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs	Barrett, Judi	730	If food dropped like rain from the sky, wouldn't it be marvelous! Or would it? It could, after all, be messy. And you'd have no choice. What if you didn't like what fell? Or what if too much came? Have you ever thought of what it might be like to be squashed flat by a pancake?
Complete Adventures of Peter Rabbit, The	Potter, Beatrix	890	Peter sneaks into Mr. McGregor's garden to feast on fresh vegetables, ignoring the advice of his mother and the good example set by his siblings, Flopsy, Mopsy, and Cotton-tail. Nearly caught by the rake-wielding gardener, Peter makes a narrow escape with the help of a watering can and some friendly sparrows, but he loses his new jacket and shoes in the process.
Courage of Sarah Noble, The	Dalgliesh, Alice	610	When Sarah Noble was eight years old she had her great adventure — going with her father into the wilds of Connecticut to cook for him while he built a house. There were Indians — would they be friendly? There were many times when Sarah had to say to herself, as her mother had said when she left home, "Keep up your courage, Sarah Noble. Keep up your courage."
Drinking Gourd: A Story of the Underground Railroad, The	Monjo, F.N.	370	A young boy learns that his home is a secret station on the Underground Railroad and helps a family of slaves follow the "drinking gourd" (Big Dipper) north to freedom.
Encyclopedia Brown, Boy Detective	Sobol, Donald J.	560	The classic mystery series starring everyone's favorite boy detective Encyclopedia Brown! Whether Encyclopedia is solving cases for his neighborhood friends or his chief-of-police dad, he always has an intriguing mystery to crack.
Enormous Crocodile, The	Dahl, Roald	410	The Enormous Crocodile is a horrid greedy grumpy brute who loves to guzzle up little boys and girls. But the other animals have had enough of his cunning tricks, so they scheme to get the better of this foul fiend, once and for all!
Escape North! The Story of Harriet Tubman	Kulling, Monica	440	The woods are dark and dangerous. Slave catchers are out with their dogs. But high above the trees, the North Star shines down. Harriet Tubman is glad to see the star. It points the way to freedom. Tonight Harriet is helping slaves escape on the Underground Railroad. Will they make it? Find out in this exciting true story.
Farmer Palmer's Wagon Ride	Steig, William		The wagon ride from town is so hazardous that Farmer Palmer, a pig, and Ebenezer, a donkey, barely make it home again.
Go Free or Die, A Story About Harriet Tubman	Ferris, Jeri	800	Biography of black woman whose cruel experiences as a slave in the South led her to seek freedom in the North for herself and others through the Underground Railroad.
Hole in the Dike, The	Green, Norma		abridged adaptation of Mary Mapes Dodge's classic tale about a boy who saves Holland from a disastrous flood.

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How is a Crayon Made?	Charles, Oz	970	In this close-up view inside a crayon factory, vibrant step-by-step color photographs show how tanks of steaming wax are transformed into a favorite childhood art supply.
How Many Days to America? A Thanksgiving Story	Buntin, Eve	460	After the police come, the family is forced to flee their Caribbean island and set sail for America in a small fishing boat. Other refugees crowd the boat, and the voyage is a long one, but when the family finally arrives they discover it's a special day in more ways than one.
How to Eat Fried Worms	Rockwell, Thomas	650	Because of a bet, Billy is in the uncomfortable position of having to eat fifteen worms in fifteen days. The worms are supplied by his opponent, whose motto is "The bigger and juicier, the better!"
If You Traveled on the Underground Railroad	Levine, Ellen.	720	If you traveled on the Underground Railroad: Where was the safest place to go? Would you wear a disguise? What would you do when you were free? This book tells you what it was like to be a slave escaping to freedom on the Underground Railroad.
Johnny Appleseed	Kellogg, Steven	920	The larger-than-life story of a true American hero -- John Chapman, better known as Johnny Appleseed.
Junie B. Jones series	Park, Barbara	400	Junie B. is a kindergartner, then a first grader. She is funny, strong-willed, and prone to misunderstandings and mishaps. Junie B. sometimes loses her temper and acts out; she might say she hates another kid, and she and her classmates sometimes push or fight, but there's nothing outside of common childish behavior.
Keeping Quilt, The	Polacco, Patricia	920	When Patricia's Great-Gramma Anna came to America as a child, the only things she brought along from Russia were her dress and the babushka she liked to throw up into the air when she was dancing. Anna outgrew the dress and her mother decided to incorporate it and the babushka into a quilt. Together with her Uncle Vladimir's shirt, Aunt Havalah's nightdress, and an apron of Aunt Natasha's, Anna's mother made a quilt that would be passed down through their family for almost a century.
Little House in the Big Woods	Wilder, Laura Ingalls	930	Laura Ingalls's story begins in 1871 in a little log cabin on the edge of the Big Woods of Wisconsin. Laura lives in the little house with her Pa, her Ma, her sisters Mary and Carrie, and their trusty dog, Jack. Pioneer life is sometimes hard, since the family must grow or catch all their own food as they get ready for the cold winter. But it is also exciting as Laura and her folks celebrate Christmas with homemade toys and treats, do the spring planting, bring in the harvest, and make their first trip into town.
Magic Tree House series - any	Osborne, Mary Pope	520	Jack and his little sister Annie are just two regular kids from Frog Creek, Pennsylvania. Then they discover a mysterious tree house packed with all sorts of books...and their lives are never the same! Soon they are traveling through time and space in the magic tree house and having amazing adventures. Whether it's watching baby dinosaurs hatch, finding a secret passage in a castle, helping a ghost queen in an Egyptian pyramid, or finding pirate treasure, readers won't want to miss a single story!
Magical Hands	Barker, Marjorie	700	William secretly does the morning chores for each of his three good friends on their birthdays, and when his own birthday comes, he finds himself rewarded.

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Miss Nelson is Missing!	Marshall, James and Harry Allard	340	The kids in Room 207 were misbehaving again. Spitballs stuck to the ceiling. Paper planes whizzing through the air. They were the worst-behaved class in the whole school. The students don't proffer a shred of respect for their good-natured teacher Miss Nelson, but when the witchy substitute Miss Viola Swamp appears on the scene, they start to regret their own wicked ways.
Mr. Popper's Penguins	Atwater, Richard and Florence	910	Poor Mr. Popper has always dreamed of traveling to the Antarctic. He writes a letter to the famous Admiral Drake, who in return sends him a male penguin. Soon after, the admiral sends a female penguin, and the two penguins have 10 babies! How will the Poppers support their penguin family?
Navajo, The	Osinki, Alice	880	A brief history of the Navajo Indians describing customs, interactions with white settlers, and changes in traditional ways of life brought on by modern civilization.
One Bad Thing About Father, The	Monjo, F.N.	520	This illustrated fictional diary reveals that the one bad thing about Quentin's father is that, because he is President Teddy Roosevelt, he is too busy to play with Quentin and his brother.
Pilgrims First Thanksgiving, The	McGovern, Ann	460	The Pilgrims' first Thanksgiving lasted three whole days. Ann McGovern's simple text introduces children to the struggles of the Pilgrims during their first year at Plymouth Colony and the events leading to the historic occasion we celebrate today - THANKSGIVING.
Poppy	Avi	670	Poppy, a timid dormouse, is a loyal, obedient subject of Ocax, the hoot owl who rules Dimwood Forest — until she sees Ocax devour her fiancé. To prove that the intimidating ruler who promised to protect mice is a phony, Poppy embarks on a dangerous and eye-opening quest, which ends with her one-on-one battle with Ocax.
Stone Fox	Gardiner, John Reynolds	550	Based on a Rocky Mountain legend, Stone Fox tells the story of Little Willy, who lives with his grandfather in Wyoming. When Grandfather falls ill, he is no longer able to work the farm, which is in danger of foreclosure. Little Willy is determined to win the National Dogsled Race—the prize money would save the farm and his grandfather. But he isn't the only one who desperately wants to win. Willy and his brave dog Searchlight must face off against experienced racers, including a Native American man named Stone Fox, who has never lost a race.
Stone Soup	Brown, Marcia	480	Two hungry travelers arrive at a village expecting to find a household that will share a bit of food. To their surprise, villager after villager refuses to share, each one closing the door with a bang. As they sit to rest beside a well, one of the travelers observes that if the townspeople have no food to share, they must be in greater need than we are.
Sunken Treasure	Gibbons, Gail	680	A rotting hull of a ship...lost gold...coins...gems..."Sunken Treasure!" Today treasure hunting is a big business. Searchers use metal detectors and sonar to locate treasure on the ocean floor. Divers use high-powered machinery to uncover objects buried in the sand and to raise them to the surface. And more than just treasures are discovered. A whole window into the past is opened up. A salvage can take months or even years. But it's worth it!
The BFG	Dahl, Roald	720	Kidsnatched from her orphanage by a BFG (Big Friendly Giant), who spends his life blowing happy dreams to children, Sophie concocts a plan with him to save the world from nine other

man-gobbling cannybull giants.

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Theodore	Keating, Frank	720	His name was Theodore, but he is remembered as Teddy. As a young boy, he was a dreamer and a reader and had a curiosity about life he could never satisfy. As the youngest man to ever be president, he led a nation to greatness and he made every day count.
Thirteen Colonies, The	Fradin, Dennis	740	Stories of the 13 original colonies.
Three Billy Goats Gruff, The	Asbjørnsen, P.C.	500	The three goat brothers brave the terrible troll in a colorful version of the classic tale.
Time of Wonder	McCloskey, Robert	940	The spell of rain, gulls, a foggy morning, the excitement of sailing, the quiet of the night, the sudden terror of a hurricane, and the peace of a Maine island as a family packs up to leave are shown in poetic language and vibrant, evocative pictures.
Wagon Wheels	Brenner, Barbara	380	The Muldie boys and their father have come a long way to Kansas. But when Daddy moves on, the three boys must begin their own journey. They must learn to care for one another and face the dangers of the wilderness alone.
Walking the Road to Freedom: A Story of Sojourner Truth	Ferris, Jeri	820	Traces the life of the Black woman orator who spoke out against slavery throughout New England and the Midwest.
What Are You Figuring Now? A Story About Benjamin Banneker	Ferris, Jeri	910	A biography of the Afro-American farmer and self-taught mathematician, astronomer, and surveyor for the new capital city of the United States in 1791, who also calculated a successful almanac notable for its preciseness.
Weed is a Flower, A The Life of George Washington Carver	Aliki	640	Biography of George Washington Carver
White Stallion, The	Shub, Elizabeth	470	While traveling west with her family, Gretchen becomes lost. With the help of a beautiful white stallion, Gretchen is able to join her family again.

## Recitation:

Please learn from memory one of the selected poems and the Guardian Angel prayer. You will be asked to recite both during the first week of school.

### Poems

**“You Are Old Father William”** by Lewis Carroll

"You are old, Father William," the young man said,  
"And your hair has become very white;  
And yet you incessantly stand on your head—  
Do you think, at your age, it is right?"

"In my youth," Father William replied to his son,  
"I feared it might injure the brain;  
But now that I'm perfectly sure I have none,  
Why, I do it again and again."

**“How doth the little crocodile...”** by Lewis Carroll

How doth the little crocodile...  
How doth the little crocodile  
Improve his shining tail,  
And pour the waters of the Nile  
On every golden scale!  
How cheerfully he seems to grin  
How neatly spreads his claws,  
And welcomes little fishes in,  
With gently smiling jaws!

**“Bear In There “** by Shel Silverstein

There's a Polar Bear  
In our Frigidaire--  
He likes it 'cause it's cold in there.  
With his seat in the meat  
And his face in the fish  
And his big hairy paws  
In the buttery dish,  
He's nibbling the noodles,  
He's munching the rice,  
He's slurping the soda,  
He's licking the ice.  
And he lets out a roar  
If you open the door.  
And it gives me a scare  
To know he's in there--  
That Polary Bear  
In our Fridgitydaire.

**“If I Were King”** by A. A. Milne

I often wish I were a King,  
And then I could do anything.  
If only I were King of Spain,  
I'd take my hat off in the rain.  
If only I were King of France,  
I wouldn't brush my hair for aunts.  
I think, if I were King of Greece,  
I'd push things off the mantelpiece.  
If I were King of Norway,  
I'd ask an elephant to stay.  
If I were King of Babylon,  
I'd leave my button gloves undone.  
If I were King of Timbuctoo,  
I'd think of lovely things to do.  
If I were King of anything,  
I'd tell the soldiers, "I'm the King!"

**“As I Was Walking to St. Ives”**

As I was going to St. Ives I met a man with seven wives,  
Each wife had seven sacks, each sack had seven cats,  
Each cat had seven kits: kits, cats, sacks and wives,  
How many were going to St. Ives?

## Prayer

### **Guardian Angel Prayer**

Angel of God, my guardian dear,  
to whom His love commits me here,  
ever this day be at my side  
to light and guard,  
to rule and guide.  
Amen.