

**Saint Bartholomew School  
Summer Reading List 2009  
Grade Two**

To Parents of Second Graders:

Here is your child's summer reading list. We hope that you and your child together will enjoy reading many of the books on this list. Your child is asked to read at least **TEN BOOKS** during the summer so that over the long vacation they will not forget any of the skills they learned in first grade. This list is divided into two groups:

1. Easy-To-Read Books
2. Junior Fiction books – first chapter books

These books cover a wide range of abilities. Have your child read a page or two before making your selection. Please note that when you see (Series) after a title then any title in that series is suitable.

When you have finished reading a book, please fill in the record sheet that is included in this packet. Please sign the sheet and send this sheet back to school during the first week. We will be discussing these books during our library class.

Transform your summer, read!

Mrs. Davison



**Facklam, Margery**

**The Big Bug Book**

Describes thirteen of the world's largest insects.

**Giff, Patricia Reilly**

**The Candy Corn Contest (series)**

Richard Best determines to win the Thanksgiving Candy Corn contest by guessing the correct number of candies in the jar but before he realized what he's done, he eats three big pieces.

**Gilson, Jamie**

**You Cheat!**

Nathan bribes his older brother to go fishing, and then wishes he hadn't.

**Howe, James**

**Pinky and Rex and the Mean Old Witch**

Pinky and Rex's neighbor, Mrs. Morgan isn't *really* a mean old witch. But she sure acts like one, yelling and waving a broom every time the kids step on her lawn. Pinky tries a plan to make her sweeten up.

**Hurwitz, Johanna**

**"E" is For Elisa (Series)**

Four-year-old Elisa gets her picture taken, starts learning to read, breaks her arm and experiences other exciting aspects of growing up.

**Kramer, Sydelle**

**To the top! :Climbing the World's Highest Mountain**

Describes how Edmund Hillary and Tenzing Norkay became the first human beings to reach the Top by climbing Mount Everest.

**Leroe, Ellen**

**Ghost Dog**

Nine-year-old Artie Jensen gets help from his new pet Ghost Dog, an invisible pug, after someone steals the valuable baseball card his grandfather gave him.

**Lester, Helen**

**Author : a True Story**

Children's author Helen Lester describes her life from age three to adulthood and discusses how she writes.

**Levy, Elizabeth**

**Karate Class Mystery**

Adventures of invisible boy Chip at a karate class.

**Levy, Elizabeth**

**Frankenstein Moved in On The Fourth Floor**

Robert and Sam suspect their weird new neighbor is really Frankenstein.

**Levy, Elizabeth**

**Something Queer in Outer Space**

It is Gwen and Jill to the rescue when someone tries to sabotage Fletcher the basset hound's mission in space.

**Lowry, Lois**

**Gooney Bird Greene**

From the moment Gooney Bird Greene arrives at Watertower Elementary School, her fellow 2<sup>nd</sup> graders are intrigued by her unique sense of style and her unusual lunches. So when story time arrives, the choice is unanimous: they all want to hear about Gooney Bird Greene!

**Mahy, Margaret**

**The Great White Man-eating Shark – a Cautionary Tale**

Norvin, who looks a bit like a shark, pretends to be one, scaring off the other swimmers and leaving him in happy aquatic solitude-until he is discovered by an amorous female shark.

**Marshall, James**

**Rats on The Roof and other Stories**

Seven stories about various animals.

**Osborne, Mary P.**

**Dark Day in the Deep Sea (Series)**

Jack and Annie continue their quest for the secrets of happiness—secrets they need if they're going to save Merlin. But when the magic tree house leads them to a tiny deserted island in the middle of the ocean, they're not sure who needs help more—Merlin or themselves!

**Park, Barbara**

**Junie B., First Grader Aloha-ha-ha!**

Junie B. travels to Hawaii with her parents for some misadventures!

**Pearson, Susan**

**Eagle-eye Ernie Comes to Town(Series)**

A new kid in school named Ernie solves the case of the lunch bag thief using her powers of deduction.

**Paterson, John Lawrence**

**The Littles (Series)**

When the Bigs go on a three-month vacation. The Littles must contend with a family from the city who move in and are not very good housekeepers.

**Prolutsky, Jack**

**For Laughing Out Loud (other titles)**

Poems to tickle-your funnybone.

**Sachar, Louis**

**Marvin Redpost (Series)**

Red-haired Marvin is convinced that the reason he looks different from the rest of his family is that he is really the lost prince of Shampoo.

**Scieszka, Jon**

**The Frog Prince, Continued**

After the frog turns into a prince. He and the Princess do not live happily ever after and the Prince decides to look for a witch to help remedy the situation.

**Scieszka, Jon**

**The Stinky Cheese Man and other Fairly Stupid Tales**

New twists to familiar fairy tales.

**Shreve, Susan R.**

**The Flunking of Joshua T. Bates (Series)**

Joshua's teacher, Miss Goodwin is probably the world's most surprising teacher. Who would have believed how easy it was to learn to read or how hard it was to leave her?

**Simon, Seymour**

**Sharks (lots of science titles)**

Descriptions of sharks with great colored pictures.

**Spinelli, Jerry**

**Tooter Pepperday (Series)**

Hating to leave her familiar surroundings, Tooter resorts to sabotage when her family moves from their suburban home to Aunt Sally's farm.

**Stevens, Carla**

**Anna, Grandpa, and the Big Storm**

Lucy takes her "frisky" fox terrier, Finn on a wagon train headed to the Oregon territory. Lucy is separated from the wagon train when she goes off in search of her missing Finn.

**Thomas, Shelley Moore**

**Good Night, Good Knight**

The Good Knight is on his watch. He hears a ROAR. Is it a dragon? The Good Knight goes to find out. But he doesn't find one dragon. The Knight finds three dragons. They are very little, they can't sleep. Who will read to them? Who will tuck them in? Who will kiss them goodnight? Is this a job for the Good Knight?

**Van Leeuwen**

**Amanda Pig and Her Big Brother Oliver (Series)**

Amanda wants to do everything Oliver does, run fast and jump high – just like her big brother. What happens when Oliver doesn't want to play with his sister?

**Warner, Gertrude Chandler**

**Boxcar Children (Series)**

Four orphans set up housekeeping in an old train car. Their adventures are exciting and numerous.

**Whelan, Gloria**

**Night of The Full Moon**

When she sneaks away to visit her friend, a young girl living on the Michigan frontier is caught up in the forced evacuation of a group of Indians in 1840.

**Ziefert, Harriet**

**The Small Potato Club (Series)**

A group of friend forms a club. They do things together and they have a clubhouse. The reader is invited to join their club.

**Zimelman, Nathan**

**Mean Chickens and Wild Cucumbers**

Aloysius McCarthy's cucumbers are headed right for Ivanhoe O'Brien's chickens. At least that's what O'Brien thinks. McCarthy thinks O'Brien's mean and dastardly chickens are out to get his meek and gentle cucumbers. So, a feud is declared—and no ordinary feud.