

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

Dear Fifth Grader:

Summer is the perfect time for turning the pages of a great book. The public library, bookstores, and the personal libraries of friends and family are perfect spots to find new and interesting books. Our Newbery summer reading list has many wonderful titles to choose from and an additional list of non-Newbery books has been added.

You must read at least **three books** from the lists. One book must be from the Newbery list and the other two books may be from either list. Please bring the signed list during the first week of school. Each student will be required to present to his or her **reading teacher** a book report from one book on the list using the format below:

SUMMER BOOK REPORT FORMAT

1. Create a book cover to illustrate the main idea of the book; include the title and author.
2. Attach a written report: A summary that includes the setting and the correct sequence of events in the story. In the summary, the plot must be resolved.
3. One page or more, may be typed (double-spaced)
4. Please check for correct grammar, punctuation and spelling.
5. Your name and grade go at the bottom of the report.

Title _____

Author _____

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A book that should be added to our list: _____

Transform your summer, read!

Mrs. Davison

Student Name _____

Parent's Signature _____

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***You might enjoy reading other books written by authors whose names are marked by an asterisk.**

FICTION

Avi*

Blue Heron

When Maggie arrives at her father's rented seaside cottage, she senses something isn't right. As she tries to sort things out, the blue heron becomes a symbol of hope.

Bryant, Annie

Beacon Street Girls: Worst Enemies/Best Friends

Charlotte Ramsey is the new girl. After causing the biggest cafeteria blunder in history, Charlotte's assigned lunch partners-the very stylish Katani, irrepressible Avery, and super-friendly Maeve-can't wait to dump her. Can the girls become true friends or will they remain worst enemies forever?

Burnford

Incredible Journey

Three animals undertake a long and hazardous trip through the Canadian wilderness.

Clements

No Talking

The 5th grade girls and boys at Laketon Elementary spark a contest to see which team can say *the fewest words* during two whole days! How do the teachers react to silence? Read it and find out!

Colfer

Artemis Fowl (Series)

Artemis Fowl, a genius, a criminal mastermind, a millionaire, see how he plots to steal the timeless treasure of the fairies!

Creech

Walk Two Moons

13 yr.old Salamanca Tree Hiddle travels from Ohio to Idaho with her eccentric and elderly but young at heart grandparents.

Dahl

Danny The Champion of the World

The hilarious adventures of Danny and the best dad a boy ever had. But Dad has one surprise that catches Danny completely off-guard, a secret passion that he's hidden for years.

DiCamillo, Kate

Because of Winn-Dixie

Ten-yr.-old India Opal Buloni describes her first summer in the town of Naomi, Florida, and all the good things that happen to her because of her big ugly dog Winn-Dixie.

Fletcher, Ralph

Flying Solo

When the sixth grade teacher calls in sick and the substitute fails to show, the class takes it upon themselves to go solo for the day.

Funke, Cornelia

The Thief Lord

Prosper and Bo are orphans on the run from their cruel aunt and uncle. In Venice they meet a mysterious 13 yr. old who calls himself the "Thief Lord."

George

Water Sky

In searching for his uncle in Alaska, Lincoln becomes part of an Eskimo whaling crew and learns about a different way of life.

Gutman, Dan

Million Dollar Shot

When 11 year old Eddie ball wins a poetry contest sponsored by a local candy factory, he also wins the opportunity to hit a million dollar shot at the NBA finals.

Hahn*

Dead Man in Indian Creek

Two boys discover a body in the creek during a camping trip.

Horvath, Polly

Everything on a Waffle

Newbery Honor Book: Primrose Squart simply *knows* her parents did not perish at sea during a terrible storm, but try convincing the other residents of Coal Harbour on that score. For the time being, Primrose is an orphan, and the town council is able to locate a relative, Uncle Jack, who reluctantly takes Primrose into his care.

Korman, Gordon

The Sixth Grade Nickname Game

Eleven year old Jeff and Wiley take pride in their ability to come up with funny nicknames for their classmates.

Levine, Gail Carson

Dave at Night

During the day, Dave Caros is a resident of the Hebrew Home for Boys. But Dave at night is a free spirit, experiencing the magic of the Harlem Renaissance in 1920s New York. Dave is an eleven-year-old daredevil who, within days of being orphaned, is separated from his older brother and placed in the institution known as the "Hell Hole for Brats." Adjusting to a new life filled with buddies (fellow orphans), bullies (older boys who steal food from the younger students), and a brutal superintendent...

Lupica, Mike*

Heat

Michael Arroyo is growing up in the shadow of Yankee Stadium. He is the star pitcher of his Little League team, dreaming of pitching them to the Little League World Series.

Everything is on track for his dream to come true; then he is benched until the birth certificate that didn't make it out of Cuba with the family can be produced to prove he is only 12 and eligible to play. (Mrs. Davison's favorite sports writer, especially for boys!)

McCaughrean, Geraldine

Stop the Train!

This is a wild adventure set in Oklahoma at the time of the great land rush. Hardy souls come west to better their lives, but the owner of the train vows never to let his train stop in their town.

Mikaelsen, Ben

Countdown

While on the shuttle Endeavor, a 14 year old American makes contact with a boy from Kenya.

Mikaelsen, Ben

Rescue: Josh McGuire

Josh runs away with a baby bear cub that is destined for laboratory testing. Their lives are endangered.

O'Hara*

Green Grass of Wyoming

Classic Rocky Mountain adventure story about horses.

Paulsen*

Hatchet

Thirteen year old Brian survives in the Canadian wilderness using his wits and a hatchet.

Paterson

Preacher's Boy

A preacher's son grabs at trouble in 1900, he and Tom Sawyer have a lot in common!

Peck, Richard

A Long Way From Chicago

Grandma continually astounds her citified grandchildren by stretching the boundaries of truth. In eight hilarious episodes spanning the years 1929-1942, she plots outlandish schemes to even the score with various colorful members of her community, including a teenaged vandal, a drunken sheriff and a well-to-do banker. Like Grandma Dowdel's prize-winning gooseberry pie, this satire on small-town etiquette is fresh, warm and anything but ordinary. (This story should be read aloud to the family! It is Mrs. Davison's favorite story!)

Peck, Richard

Here Lies the Librarian

Peewee idolizes her big brother, Jake, who dreams of auto mechanic glory in 1914. A folksy setting, classic cars and vintage Richard Peck humor make this a fun read!

Selznick, Brian

The Invention of Hugo Cabret

Orphan, clock keeper, and thief, Hugo lives in the walls of a busy Paris train station, where his survival depends on secrets and anonymity. Hugo's secrets are put in jeopardy by a girl and old man who runs a toy booth.

Snyder, Zilpha, Keatley

The Egypt Game

Two girls get involved in an elaborate "Egypt game," a fantasy game that soon leads to strange, unexplainable happenings. PW said the characters in Snyder's Newbery winner "true originals"

Spinelli*

Crash

Super-jock 'Crash' Coogan discovers that he can't always get his way.

Taylor, Theodore

The Cay

In 1942, 11-year-old Phillip Enright lives with his parents on the Dutch island of Curaçao, but when the war moves too close for comfort, his mother decides to travel with him back to Virginia. When their boat is torpedoed, however, Phillip is blinded and finds himself adrift on a life raft with an old black man and a cat. They eventually land on a deserted island. *The Cay* has a clear message that friendship is colorblind.

Ullman

Banner in the Sky

Rudi's secret ambition is to scale the mountain that had claimed his father's life

Yep*

Later, Gator

Teddy is in trouble when he buys his younger brother an alligator.

HISTORICAL FICTION

Auch

Journey To Nowhere

In 1815, 11 yr. old Mem reluctantly journeys with her family to the wilderness of New York state.

Beauty

Charley Skedaddle

A 12 year old is a drummer for the Union Army.

Cushman *

The Ballad of Lucy Whipple

Lucy and her family move from Massachusetts during the California Gold Rush and Lucy helps run a rough boarding house in a small mining town.

Fenner

Yolanda's Genius

Fifth grader Yolanda decides to prove that her younger brother is not retarded, but is a musical genius.

Fleischman*

Bull Run

Exciting story about a Civil War battle.

Giff

Lily's Crossing

Lily's friendship with a young Hungarian refugee causes her to see World War II and her own world in a different light.

Kerr

When Hitler Stole Pink Rabbit

Recounts the adventures of a 9 yr. old Jewish girl as she travels from Germany to England in 1930.

O'Dell*

Sing Down the Moon

A young Navaho girl tells the story of her people's march into captivity at the hands of the white man.

Orlev

Island on Bird Street

Alex hides in an abandoned building while awaiting his father's return to Warsaw in this World War II story.

Paterson*

Of Nightingales That Weep

A twelfth-century Japanese girl goes to live at the royal court.

Propp, Vera

When The Soldiers Were Gone

The story takes place in Holland in 1945. Henk is forced to leave the family that hid him from the Germans during the War and return to his Jewish parents.

Smucker

Runaway to Freedom

Some of the incidents about Julilly and Liza's escape from slavery are based on facts.

Wisler

Red Cap

Ramson J. Powell joins the Union Army at age 13. When captured by Confederates and taken to Andersonville Prison, he displays great courage.

Woodruff

Letters From the Overland Trail

Austin joins a wagon train heading for Oregon. Along the way, he writes letters that relate the story of the challenging journey.

TALES OF MYSTERY AND IMAGINATION

Alexander*

The Remarkable Journey of Prince Jen

Bearing six unusual gifts, young Prince Jen embarks on a perilous quest and emerges triumphantly.

Avi *

Perloo The Bold

Perloo, a peaceful scholar, who has been chosen to succeed Joliane as leader of the furry underground people called Montmers, finds himself in danger when Joliane dies and her evil son seizes control of the borrow.

Baker, E.D.*

The Frog Princess

Princess Emeraldalda isn't exactly an ideal princess. Her laugh sounds like a donkey's bray, she trips over her own feet, and she hates the young Prince Jorge whom her mother hopes she will marry.

Balliett, Blue

The Calder Game

If you have read "Chasing Vermeer" and "The Wright 3" then you will enjoy Balliett's latest mystery. Two Calders are missing. One is a sculpture. One is a boy. Calder's friends Petra and Tommy must fly to England to help his father find him.

Bellaire, John

The Curse of the Blue Figurine

Johnny doesn't believe in evil spirits—until he found an old blue figurine in the town church basement with a message that said, "*Whoever removes these things from the church, does so at his own peril...*"

By accident Johnny takes the figurine home. At once he is plunged into a terrifying adventure.

Brooks, Walter, R.*

Freddy the Pilot

Freddy the Pig, famous detective of the Bean farm, has his hands full. The comic book tycoon (and evil master-mind) Watson P. Condiment is trying to steal the prize performer from Mr. Boomschmidt's Circus. Freddy and his partner, Mrs. Wiggins the Cow must save their friend.

Carman, Patrick

The Dark Hills Divide

Elyon is a land of enchanted forests, and great walls that connect and encircle the cities of Lathbury, Turlock, Lunenburg, and Bridewell. On a trip to Bridewell with her father, the mayor of Lathbury, Alexa Daley dreams of escape. But, the walls are heavily guarded, and legends suggest that forests and hills are no place for a young girl. However, an unfortunate accident puts Alexa within reach of a way outside the wall.

Colfer

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Artemis Fowl, a genius, a criminal mastermind, a millionaire, see how he plots to steal the timeless treasure of the fairies!

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Artemis Fowl: The Artic Incident (Book Two)

Part 2 of the series, Artemis has to save his father after he has been kidnapped! **Book Three: The Eternity Code**, Artemis' father has vowed to go straight after 5 years in jail, and Artemis has promised to stop his life of crime, after one last scheme. **Book Four: The Opal Deception.**

Book Five: The Lost Colony

Coville *

Song of the Wanderer

Sequel to Into the Land of The Unicorns. Cara continues her adventures in Luster.

Dicamillo, Katie

The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane

In The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane we are given a glimpse of arrogance gone wild. The china doll is made to feel special and is loved so much by his owner that he can't conceive he holds any other position than the center of the universe. Then, in an unexpected event, Edward Tulane is thrust into the depths of despair and only thru the kind acts of others is he taught the meaning of love. His various handlers and owners each contribute to Edwards salvation in small ways.

D'Aulaire*

Book of Greek Myths

Illustrated retellings of the myths surrounding the gods and goddesses of ancient Greece.

Fang

The Ch'i-lin Purse

This is an excellent collection of ancient Chinese stories.

Ferris, Jean

Once Upon a Marigold

A young man with a mysterious past and a penchant for inventing things leaves the troll who raised him, meets an unhappy princess he has loved from afar, and discovers a plot against her and her father.
Hahn*

Time For Andrew

While visiting his great aunt, 11 year old Andrew exchanges places with his uncle who died many years before.

Hesse, Karen*

The Music of Dolphins

Raised by dolphins, Mila is rescued by scientists who help her become more human.

Kaye, Mary Margaret

The Ordinary Princess

At her christening a princess is given the gift of "ordinariness" by a fairy, and the consequences of that eventually take her to a nearby palace where, having run away to become a fourteenth assistant maid, she meets the prince for her.

Levine, Gail *

The Princess Test (series)

The author of Ella Enchanted retells the story of The Princess and The Pea. This is the second in this series of very funny stories.

Lindbergh

Nick of Time

This is a funny and original time travel fantasy.

Lisle

Afternoon of the Elves

As Hillary works in a village allegedly made by elves, she becomes concerned about her friend who lives in a big, gloomy house.

McKinley

Beauty

This full-length story is based on the familiar tale, Beauty and the Beast.

Nimmo, Jenny

Midnight for Charlie Bone

The mysterious and magical powers of the Red King have been passed down through his descendants. These gifts, some evil and some good, turn up unexpectedly in someone who has no idea where they came from. This is what happened to Charlie Bone...

Oppel, Kenneth*

Airborn

Kenneth Oppel weaves a magical tale of adventure, treachery, friendship, and courage. Taking place in a future where airships and blimps travel across the Atlanticus and the Pacificus Oceans, cabin boy Matt Cruse, on board the *Aurora*, battles pirates and prehistoric cloudcats, accompanied by spirited heiress Kate DeVries.

Paolini, Christopher

Eragon

Eragon, a young farm boy, finds a marvelous blue stone in a mystical mountain place. It hatches a beautiful sapphire-blue dragon, a race thought to be extinct. Eragon bonds with the dragon, and when his family is killed by the marauding Ra'zac, he discovers that he is the last of the Dragon Riders.

***Rowling, J. K.**

Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows

This will tie up all the loose ends to an awesome series!

Stroud, Jonathan

The Bartimaeus Trilogy: The Amulet of Samarkand

Nathaniel has been apprenticed to Mr. Underwood for several years. At age 12, he has finally been Named and is on his way to becoming a real magician. However, the Amulet of Samarkand has been stolen from the powerful magician Simon Lovelace. Nathaniel's 5000 yr. Old djinni, Bartimaeus, stole it for him! (Book 2 is: The Golem's Eye Book 3: Ptolemy's Gate)

Yolen, Jane

Passager: Young Merlin Trilogy

An 8-yr. old boy is abandoned in the woods of Medieval England. A Falconer captures and tames the boy.

Woodruff

Magnificent Mummy Maker

A museum mummy helps transform Andy, a less than magnificent student, into the top student in the class.

Woodruff

The Orphan of Ellis Island

Dominic gets stranded at Ellis Island and is transported back to an Italian village in 1908.

BIOGRAPHY

Armstrong, Lance

It's Not About the Bike: My Journey Back to Life

For anyone who has ever overcome odds...It's not about the bike, or about the sport. It's about the soul.

Craig, Robert

Derek Jeter

Derek Jeter's childhood dream was to play for the N.Y. Yankees. In 1996, his hard work paid off when he helped the Yankees win the World Series and was named American League Rookie of the Year.

Ehrich

Wounded Knee: An Indian History of the American West

The destruction of an Indian tribe is told in this story.

Fendler

Don Fendler: Lost on a Mountain in Maine

A 12 year old describes his 9-day struggle to survive after being separated from friends in the mountains of Maine.

Freedman*

Abraham Lincoln

This beautifully written biography of a beloved American president includes captions from Lincoln's own writing and photographs.

Fritz*

You Want Women to Vote, Lizzie Stanton?

This book is about Elizabeth Cady Stanton's fight for women's right to vote in the 1800's.

Hautiz

The Endless Steppe: Growing up in Siberia

The author writes of the years she and her family spent in a Siberian village as prisoners of the Russians.

Kroeber

Lives of the Writers

The author and illustrator have created biographical sketches featuring twenty of the world's most famous literary figures.

Nelson

Carver: A Life in Poems

George W. Carver was born a slave in Missouri about 1864 and was raised by the childless white couple who had owned his mother. In 1896 he started the agricultural department at Tuskegee Institute. He was a botanist, inventor, painter, musician and teacher.

Nicholson

Cal Ripken. The Quiet Hero

A biography of the Baltimore Orioles player who has the longest running streak of unbroken games in professional athletics.

Paulsen *

Woodsong

This book might have been called, "My Dog Teams: How They Changed My Life."

Ray

A Nation Torn

The story of how the Civil War began, told through letters, diaries, eyewitness accounts and photographs.

Rappaport

Escape From Slavery

Five accounts of black slaves who managed to escape to freedom before the Civil War.

St. George

Sacagawea

The story of the Indian girl who served as a guide to Lewis and Clark in 1805. She was chosen to be on the new dollar coin.

Steger

Over the Top of the World

This is the story of explorers and their dog teams as they cross the top of the world on dog sleds.

Stevenson

Clara Barton, Founder of the American Red Cross

Learn about this famous American woman whose home is right down the street from St. Barts in Glen Echo.