



Patriot Read

Rising 1st grade

“An investment in knowledge always pays the best interest.”

-Benjamin Franklin

Heritage Christian School Patriot Summer Reading Program

The purpose of summer reading is to expose our students to good books – books that will enrich the mind, character and spirit of HCS students during summer break. Our goal is to encourage a lifelong love for reading.

Many of these books can be found in the public library, and the HCS library has many of them as well. Your kindergarten teacher may be sending home books that are specific to your child's reading level. Please read those books first, then choose books from the list below.

Students **entering 1st grade** need to choose **five** books from the list below to read over the summer. After reading the books, please list the titles of the books on the summer reading list. Parents should sign the form which will be given to the first grade teacher on the **FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL**. This is the first reading quiz. Any student not completing it by the end of the first week will receive a zero.

If your child completes this summer reading, he/she will be able to attend the Patriot Picnic on the assigned day during 1st quarter.

Highlighted books are available in the HCS library

Author	Book(s)
Aardema, Verna	<i>Why Mosquitoes Buzz in People's Ears: A West African Tale</i>
*Adler, David A.	<i>Cam Jansen</i>
Allard, Harry	<i>Miss Nelson is Missing</i>
Appleton-Smith, Laura	<i>Interesting Elephants, The Sunset Pond</i>
*Bemelans, Ludwig	<i>Madeline</i> (any in series)
Benchley, Nathaniel	<i>Sam the Minutemen</i>
*Bianco, Margery Williams	<i>The Velveteen Rabbit</i>
Brown, Marcia	<i>Stone Soup, The Three Billy Goats Gruff</i>
Bulla, Clyde Robert	<i>Daniel's Duck</i> (I Can Read Book)
*Burton, Virginia Lee	<i>Mike Mulligan and his Steam Shovel</i>
Carle, Eric	<i>The Grouchy Ladybug, The Very Hungry Caterpillar</i>
*Cleary, Beverly	<i>Petey's Bedtime Story</i>
*Dalgliesh, Alice	<i>The Bears on Hemlock Mountain, Courage of Sarah Noble</i>
DePaola, Tomie	<i>Pancakes for Breakfast, The Art Lesson</i>
Dobson, Danae	<i>Forest Friends</i> (series)
Eastman, P. D.	<i>Flap Your Wings, Go Dog Go, Sam and the Firefly</i>
Flack, Marjorie	<i>The Story of Ping, Angus and the Cat</i>
*Freeman, Don	<i>Corduroy</i>
Gag, Wanda	<i>Millions of Cats</i>
Gibbons, Gail	<i>From Seed to Plant, Spiders, Owls, Frogs, Trains</i>
Gramatky, Hardie	<i>Little Toot, Hercules</i>
*Hall, Donald	<i>The Ox-Cart Man</i>
Hawkins, Colin	<i>Zug the Bug</i>

Hoban, Russel	<i>Frances series, Harvey's Hideout</i>
*Hoff, Syd	<i>Danny and the Dinosaur, Sammy the Seal, Chester, The Horse In Harry's Room, Thunderhoof, When Will It Snow?, Oliver, Mahatma, Stanley</i>
Hurd, Edith T.	<i>Starfish, Hurry Hurry</i>
Keats, Ezra Jack	<i>Any book</i>
Kessler, Ethel and Leonard	<i>Splish, Splash!</i>
Krauss, Ruth	<i>The Carrot Seed</i>
Krensky, Stephen	<i>The Iron Dragon Never Sleeps</i>
Litwin, Eric	<i>Pete the Cat books</i>
*Lobel, Arnold	<i>Frog and Toad books, On the Day Peter Stuyvesant Sailed into Town, Lucille, The Troll Music, A Zoo for Mr. Muster</i>
Marshall, James	<i>Red Riding Hood</i>
Martin, Bill Jr. & Carle, Eric	<i>Brown Bear, Brown Bear</i>
*McCloskey, Robert	<i>Blueberries for Sal, One Morning in Maine, Lentil, Make Way for Ducklings, Time of Wonder</i>
McCully, Emily A.	<i>The Grandma Mix-Up</i>
Minarik, Else Holmelund	<i>Little Bear</i>
Mozelle, Shirley	<i>Zack's Alligator</i>
Murphy, Elspeth Campbell	<i>The Mystery of the Carousel Horse</i>
*Osborne, Mary P.	<i>Magic Tree House series</i>
*Parish, Peggy	<i>Amelia Bedelia series</i>
Pfister, Marcus	<i>The Rainbow Fish</i>
*Potter, Beatrix	<i>The Tale of Peter Rabbit</i> (22 other volumes)
*Rey, H. A.	<i>Curious George series</i>
Rockwell, Anne	<i>The First Snowfall</i>
Rylant, Cynthia	<i>Henry and Midge series, When I was Young in the Mountains</i>
Sendak, Maruice	<i>Where the Wild Things Are</i>
Seuss, Dr.	<i>Any of the books</i>
*Sharmat, Marjorie	<i>Nate the Great series</i>
Shaw, Janet Beeler	<i>Meet Kirsten, An American Girl</i>
*Slobodkina, Esphyr	<i>Caps for Sale</i>
Spier, Peter	<i>Noah's Ark</i>
Tresselt, Alvin R.	<i>The Mitten: An Old Ukrainian Folktale</i>
Waber, Bernard	<i>Ira Says Goodbye</i>
Wahl, Jan	<i>The Hunter</i>
*Warner, Gertrude	<i>Boxcar Children series</i>
*White, E. B.	<i>Charlotte's Web</i>
*Wilder, Laura Ingalls	<i>Sugar Snow</i> (My First Little House books)
Ziefert, Harriet	<i>Buzzy's Birthday</i>
Zion, Gene	<i>Harry and the Lady Next Door</i>

*Indicates this book(s) is more challenging (for advanced readers)



Books I read this summer

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

Child's name _____

Parent's Signature _____

(by signing you are verifying your child read these books this summer)

Please return to the 1st grade teacher on the first day of school.