

LaGrange Academy

Reading Assignment for Rising Third Graders

Summer 2021

Your rising third grader should independently read at least 3 chapter books this summer. The following books are popular with boys and girls entering third grade. Please do not limit your child to this list. Other authors and books offer enjoyable reading. It is important to select books on your child's reading level. Read and record the book title and author on the record sheet. Students should return the record sheet upon returning to school.

Adler, David A.	<i>Cam Jansen</i> books
Bentley, Sue	<i>Magic Puppy</i> series
Betancourt, Jeanne	<i>Pony Pals</i> series
Brown, Jeff	<i>Flat Stanley</i> books
Christopher, Matt	Sport-themed books
Cleary, Beverly	Books about family and kids (e.g. Ramona Quimby)
Cole, Joanna	<i>Magic School Bus</i> Chapter Books
Dadey, Debbie	<i>Bailey School Kids</i>
Klein, Abby	<i>Ready, Freddy!</i> books
Keene, Carolyn	<i>Nancy Drew and the Clue Crew</i> books
Kline, Suzy	<i>Horrible Harry</i> books
Krulik, Nancy	<i>Katie Kazoo</i> books
Martin, Ann M.	<i>Baby-Sitters Club</i> books
McDonald, Megan	<i>Judy Moody</i> series
Meadows, Daisy	<i>Rainbow Magic Fairy</i> books
Miles, Ellen	<i>Puppy Place</i> and <i>Kitty Corner</i> books
Osborne, Mary Pope	<i>Magic Tree House</i> books
Park, Barbara	<i>Junie B. Jones</i> books
Preller, James	<i>Jigsaw Jones</i> mystery books
Roy, Ron	<i>A to Z Mysteries</i> series
Sobol, Donald J.	<i>Encyclopedia Brown</i> books
Stilton, Geronimo	<i>Mouse detective mystery book series</i>
Warner, Gertrude	<i>Boxcar Children</i> series



3rd Grade
Summer Reading Record

*Reading is one of the greatest gifts
we have!
You may always read more than 3
books!*

Student Name _____

Title of Book

Author

1. (Required) _____

2. (Required) _____

3. (Required) _____

4. _____

5. _____

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9. _____

10. _____

(Please make copies of this form if additional space is needed.)

My child has read the above books this summer.

Parent/Guardian Signature

To Parents of rising 3rd Graders:

Please encourage your child to read as much as possible this summer. Reading for pleasure is an acquired taste and although some children acquire this taste quite early, others take awhile to discover their reading niche. Summer would be a great time to explore different genres, writing styles, authors, and book series.

Here are some ways to encourage your child to read this summer:

1. Take them to the local library. Enjoy the quiet atmosphere, the air-conditioning, and the variety of books and magazines available.
2. Encourage your child to read a variety of print—encyclopedias, maps, reference books, magazines, road signs, restaurant menus, travel brochures, recipes, poetry, newspapers, manuals, dictionaries.
3. **READ ALOUD TO YOUR CHILDREN!** Yes, your child is becoming an independent reader, but the bedtime story is still a worthy ritual to be revisited. You might introduce a daytime-story-reading ritual as well. Reading literature that is a couple of grade levels above your child's reading level is fine too.
4. Have your child read to you. Take an interest in your child's book and ask them to read out loud to you. This will enhance fluency and strengthen comprehension. When children become smoother, more accurate readers, they will become more knowledgeable readers. Research shows that when children read expressively, they show a greater understanding of the text.
5. Be a role model for reading. One of the best ways to encourage your child to read is for your child to see you reading.
6. Take advantage of audio books while traveling this summer. Hearing a well-read story is a great way to foster a love of good literature. Make it a shared experience in the car.

Happy summer and happy reading!

Mrs. Miller