

Mary Help of Christians School  
 Summer Reading List 2026-2027



**Incoming K5 – Must read both selections**

Title	Author	Book Level	AR Points
Biscuit Finds A Friend	Alyssa Satin Capullini	0.8	0.5
Biscuit Goes to School	Alyssa Satin Capullini	0.9	0.5

**Incoming 1<sup>st</sup> Graders – Must read 3 of the selections below AND complete the “My Book Report” summer activity for ONE book.**

Title	Author	Book Level	AR Points
Elephant & Piggie – A Big Guy Took My Ball	Mo Willems	1.0	0.5
Pete the Cat: Pete at the Beach	James Dean	1.3	0.5
Mouse’s First Summer	Lauren Thompson	1.2	0.5
Are You My Mother?	P.D. Eastman	1.6	0.5

**Incoming 2<sup>nd</sup> Graders – Must read both selections below AND complete the “Sandwich Book Report” summer activity for ONE book.**

Title	Author	Book Level	AR Points
The Best Seat in Second Grade	Katharine Kenah	2.8	0.5
Junie B. Jones: Toothless Wonder	Barbara Park	2.8	1.0

**Incoming 3<sup>rd</sup> Graders – Must read both selections below AND complete the “Sandwich Book Report” summer activity for ONE book.**

Title	Author	Book Level	AR Points
The Magic Treehouse: Dolphins at Daybreak	Mary Pope Osborne	3.1	1.0
Freckle Juice	Judy Blume	3.1	0.5

**Incoming 4<sup>th</sup> Graders – Must read both selections AND complete the summer activity for ONE book. *The activity will count as the first test grade of the year.***

Title	Author	Book Level	AR Points
The Cricket in Times Square	George Seldan	4.9	4.0
No Talking	Andrew Clements	5.0	4.0

**Incoming 5<sup>th</sup> Graders – Must read both of the selections AND complete summer activity for ONE book. *The activity will count as the first test grade of the year.***

Title	Author	Book Level	AR Points
Rump: The True Story of Rumpelstiltskin	Liesl Shurtliff	4.4	9.0
The Secret Garden	Frances Hodgson Burnett	6.3	13.0

**Incoming 6<sup>th</sup> Graders – Must read ALL the selections AND complete summer activity for ONE book. *The activity will count as the first test grade of the year.***

Title	Author	Book Level
Restart	Gordon Korman	5.1
Save Me a Seat	Gita Varadarajan and Sarah Weeks	4.8

**Incoming 7<sup>th</sup> Graders – Must read ALL the selections AND complete summer activity for ONE book. *The activity will count as the first test grade of the year.***

Title	Author	Book Level
Breakout	Kate Messner	5.4
Esperanza Rising	Pam Muñoz Ryan	5.3

**Incoming 8<sup>th</sup> Must read ALL the selections AND complete summer activity for ONE book. *The activity will count as the first test grade of the year.***

Title	Author	Book Level
The Boy in the Striped Pajamas	John Boyne	5.8
Tuck Everlasting	Natalie Babbott	5.0

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