

HOLY REDEEMER CATHOLIC SCHOOL 2019 SUMMER READING

ENTERING PREK - GRADE 5: Summer Reading *Suggestions*

ENTERING GRADES 6 - 8: Summer Reading Requirements

One of summer's joys is getting to choose where, when and what you read! Building a love of reading is one of our top priorities at Holy Redeemer Catholic School. No matter your child's age, summer reading is critical to helping all students avoid the "summer slide"—a loss of academic skills acquired over the previous school year. Daily reading, along with the opportunity to discuss and share books, enriches and extends your child's learning. **Reading books of faith**—Bible stories, saints' stories, and Catholic-values-inspired fiction—nurture your child's faith formation.

Helping parents and students find books that are exciting to read *and* providing ways for our students to wonder about books and share their thoughts, are two important ways to engage our students as readers. Non-fiction books are a fabulous way to learn more about God's world and the people—past and present—in it. **Starting a book series is a requirement for students entering Grades 6-8** and a great idea for our younger readers as well.

Please scroll through our 2019 Summer Reading post to find out:

PreK-Grade 5: **How to use Bookopolis.com** to personalize your child's search for that just-right book along with Reading Logs, Bingo Cards, and the opportunity to share book recommendations with classmates.

Grade-Level Reading Lists, curated by Lorraine Bentley, Catholic School Library Consultant (series titles highlighted in yellow)

Links to Best Catholic Books: Nonfiction, Fiction, and Series

Links to Best Series for PreK-Grade 5

Grades 6-8: **Middle School REQUIRED Summer Reading Packet: The Thrill of Reading a Book Series!** List of Approved Series, Assignment Directions and Grading Rubric