

# SUMMER READING

Saint James School  
2025



## Grade 1

*“A book is a gift you can open again and again.” – Garrison Keillor*

### Students Entering First Grade in September 2025 - Reading List

Get ready to enjoy these gifts! Below are great books for future first graders. Students and parents may choose at least eight books to enjoy together. Please encourage your child to sound out any words they can and identify sight words.

#### Specific Books

*Brown Bear, Brown Bear*- Bill Martin Jr.  
*Stellaluna*- Janell Cannon  
*Froggy Goes to School*- Jonathan London  
*First Grade, Here I Come*- Mary Carlson  
*The Night Before First Grade*- Natasha Wing  
*Harry the Dirty Dog*- Gene Zion  
*Goodnight Gorilla*- Peggy Rathman  
*Is Your Mama a Llama* – Deborah Guarino  
*There's An Alligator Under My Bed* – Mercer Mayer  
*Little Miss Spider* – David Kirk  
*I'll Teach My Dog a lot of Words* – Michael Frith

#### Series and Authors

Mo Willems  
Norman Bridwell - *Clifford*  
Rob Scotton - *Splat the Cat*  
H.A. Rey - *Curious George*  
Arnold Lobel  
Leo Lionni  
Dr. Seuss  
Alyssa Satin Capucilli - *Biscuit*  
Laura Joffe Numeroff  
Scholastic “Hello Reader” Levels 0, 1, 2  
Eric Carle  
Ted Arnold - *Fly Guy*  
James & Kimberly Dean – *Pete the Cat*  
Kevin Henkes

#### Summer Project:

The incoming first graders are responsible to complete the Summer Reading Board this summer. Please return the Summer Recording Log to your child's teacher the first week of school.

**Complete at least 5 - 8 of the Summer Choice Reading Board and return to your 1<sup>st</sup> grade teacher the first week of school. Each activity should be completed using a different book.**

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