

**St. James Cathedral School
Reading List - 2nd Grade
Summer, 2009**

Required reading for incoming 2nd Grade students: Magic Tree House: Dinosaurs Before Dark by Mary Pope Osborne; and Amelia Bedelia by Peggy Parish

The following is a list of suggested titles for summer reading. The books are full of good stories and information! **Happy reading to all of you!** ...Mrs. Padgett, Media Specialist

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| * Cam Jansen books | David Adler |
| *Henry and Mudge books | Cynthia Rylant |
| *Polk Street School Kids series | Patricia Reilly Giff |
| Hurricane; and others | David Weisner |
| Magic School Bus series (non-fiction) | Johanna Cole |
| The Lorax and others | Dr. Seuss |
| Nate the Great series (mysteries) | Marjorie Sharmat |
| Jumanji (Caldecott Medal winner); and others | Chris VanAllsburg |
| Who Wants a Cheap Rhinoceros?; The Giving Tree, and others | Shel Silverstein |
| Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good Very Bad Day | Judith Viorst |
| The Biggest Bear (Caldecott Medal winner) | Lynd Ward |
| With Love, Little Red Hen | Alma Flor Ada |
| Paul Bunyan; and others | Retold and Illus. by Steven Kellogg |
| The Relatives Came | Cynthia Rylant |
| Sarah , Plain and Tall (Newbery Medal winner) | Patricia MacLachlan |
| The Listening Walk | Paul Showers |
| The Golden Glove (Baseball); and others | Fred Bowen |
| The Fossil Girl (a picture book biography) | Catherine Brighton |
| Something Big Has Been Here (humorous poetry) | Jack Prelutsky |
| The Matchlock Gun (Newbery Medal winner) | Walter Edmonds |
| Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs | Judy and Ron Barrett |
| Simple biographies, 25 to 45 pages | |
| *Beginning Chapter Books | |

The following are good family read-alouds:

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| Winnie-the-Pooh | Otherwise Known as Sheila the Great |
| Charlotte's Web | Paddington Bear series |
| Little House on the Prairie series | The Cricket in Times Square; Chester Cricket's Pigeon Ride; and others |

For long car trips or other occasions, check out books on audio cassettes or CD's for children. They are professionally produced and make entertaining listening!

Remember! Count the pages you read this summer to add to the school total when school starts again! Also, go to www.Scholastic.com/summerreading/summerchallenge for more reading fun this summer.