St. Alphonsus Catholic School

Summer Reading 2017 – 2018

Summer reading programs improve reading skills and can foster a lifelong love for reading. If you have any questions about the following information please contact Mrs. Bethany Richard at **brichard@stalphonsusbr.org**.

St. Alphonsus School participates in the Accelerated Reader (AR) program. Students will come to the computer lab to take an AR test(s) on two summer reading books. These tests will count toward each student's Reading grade for the 1st nine weeks of the 2017 – 2018 school year.

Parents are asked to wait outside the computer lab while their child takes his/her test. The tests normally take 10 – 20 minutes to complete. Please do not drop off your child and come back. All AR tests must be taken before school starts in August.

Students cannot choose a book they have already read. Once a book is tested on, the Accelerated Reader program does not permit retakes. If a student has tested on a required book for his/her grade, contact Mrs. Bethany Richard or the Reading teacher so an alternate book can be assigned.

Dates are as follows:

Thursday June 29 4:00 P.M. - 6:00 P.M.

Friday June 30 9:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M.

Thursday July 27 4:00 P.M. - 6:00 P.M.

Friday July 28 9:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M.

As always, it is encouraged that students read more than what is required for summer reading. The East Baton Rouge Parish Library has a wonderful summer reading program with great prizes.

Have a blessed summer,

Mrs. Bethany Richard

| Title 2nd Grade | Author | AR B.L. |
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| <u>Little Bear</u> | Else Holmelund Minarik | 2.4 |
| <u>Flat Stanley</u> | Jeff Brown | 4.0 |
| 3rd Grade | | |
| The Tale of Three Trees | Angela Elwell Hunt | 4.0 |
| Freckle Juice | Judy Blume | 3.1 |
| 4th Grade | | |
| Required Reading: | | |
| Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing | Judy Blume | 3.3 |
| AND Choose one of the following: | | |
| Any book from the Geronimo Stilton Series | Geronimo Stilton | varies |
| How to Eat Fried Worms | Thomas Rockwell | 3.5 |
| Charlotte's Web | E. B. White | 4.4 |
| <u>Bunnicula</u> | Deborah and James Howe | 4.2 |
| Any book from the I Survived Series | Lauren Tarshis | varies |
| 5th Grade | | |
| Required Reading: | | |
| Charlie and the Chocolate Factory | Roald Dahl | 4.8 |
| AND Choose one of the following: | | |
| Beezus & Ramona | Beverly Cleary | 4.8 |
| The Mouse and the Motorcycle | Beverly Cleary | 5.1 |
| Percy Jackson and the Olympians: The Lightning Thief | Rick Riordan | 4.7 |

| <u>Little House on the Prairie</u> | Laura Ingalls Wilder | 4.9 | |
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| James and the Giant Peach | Roald Dahl | 4.8 | |
| *If you have already read Charlie and the Chocolate Factory choose another book from the "Choice List". | | | |
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| Middle School | | | |
| Required Reading: | | | |
| 6th Grade | | | |
| Number the Stars | Lois Lowry | 4.5 | |
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| 7th Grade | | | |
| <u>The False Prince</u> | Jennifer Nielson | 5.1 | |
| 8th Grade | | | |
| <u>The Outsiders</u> | S.E. Hinton | 4.7 | |
| AND Choose one of the following: | | | |
| <u>Awkward</u> | Svetlana Chmakova | 2.8 | |
| <u>The Blackthorn Key</u> | Kevin Sands | 4.6 | |
| A Blind Guide to Stinkville | Beth Vrabel | 4.5 | |
| Book Scavenger | Jennifer Chambliss Bertman | 5.5 | |
| Charlie and the Grandmothers | Katy Towell | 5.5 | |
| The Disappearance of Emily H. | Barrie Summy | 4.1 | |
| <u>Ferals</u> | Jacob Grey | 4.7 | |
| <u>Fuzzy Mud</u> | Louis Sachar | 5.0 | |
| How Lunchbox Jones Saved Me from Robots, Traitors, and Missy the Cruel | Jennifer Brown | 4.9 | |