

BCS Summer Reading Lists

Entering K4, K5, and 1st Grades

Bethany Christian School has a summer reading program for all students.

K4, K5, and 1st grade students have the goal of reading/hearing 10 books and a minimum of 50 pages total.

Parents are asked to keep a record, or log, of the books their child has read/heard over the summer. The reading log (see attached Reading Log) is due on the first day of school.

Suggestions for reading this summer:

The Little Fire Engine by Lois Lenski

Any books by Dr. Seuss

Berenstain Bears books by Stan and Jan Berenstain

Make Way for Ducklings by Robert McCloskey

Corduroy by Don Freeman

There's an Alligator Under My Bed by Mercer Mayer

Henny Penny by Paul Gladone

Wildsmith

Any books by Charlotte Zolotow

The Snowy Day by Ezra Keats

Zin!Zin!Zin! A Violin by Lloyd Moss

King Mitchell

My Little Artist by Donna Green

Miss Fannie's Hat by Jan Karon

Ira Sleeps Over by Bernard Waber

Welcome to First Grade by Miriam Cohen

Chicka Chicka Boom Boom by Bill Martin

Frog and Toad are Friends by Arnold Lobel

Danny and the Dinosaur by Syd Hoff

Any books by Margaret Wise Brown

Curious George by H.A. Rey

The Tale of Peter Rabbit by Beatrix Potter

Best Word Book Ever by Richard Scarry

Clifford books by Norman Bridwell

Little Toot by Hardie Gramatky

Birds or any book by Brian

My First I Can Read books

The Art Lesson by Tommie dePaola

Granddaddy's Gift by Margaree

Sweet Clara and the Freedom Quilt by

Deborah Hopkinson

Those Can-Do Pigs by David McPhail

Any books by Peter Spier

Pete's a Pizza by William Steig

Rabbits on Roller Skates by Jan Wahl

Are You My Mother? By P.D. Eastman

Little Bear books by Else H. Minarik

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Entering 2nd Grade

Bethany Christian School has a summer reading program for all students.

Students entering second grade must read The High Rise Private Eyes #1: the Case of the Missing Monkey by Cynthia Rylant. An assignment is to be completed and given to the teacher on the first day of school. This assignment will count as the first reading grade of the school year. See the attached summer reading assignment worksheet.

Additional suggestions for reading this summer:

The High Rise Private Eyes series by Cynthia Rylant

Bedtime for Frances and other books in this series by Russell Hoban

Bonjour, Babar! By Jean de Brunhoff

Frederick and other books by Leo Lionni

George and Martha by James Marshall

Officer Buckle and Gloria by Peggy Rathmann

Madeline by Ludwig Bemelmans

Owen by Kevin Henkes

The Magic Tree House series by Mary Pope Osborne

Amelia Bedelia series by Peggy Parish

More Spaghetti, I Say! By Rita Golden Gilman

Horrible Harry series by Suzy Cline

Black Lagoon series by Mike Thaler

Junie B. Jones series by Barbara Park

Frog and Toad are Friends by Arnold Lobel

Little Critter's Read-It-Yourself Story Books by Mercer Mayer

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Entering 3rd Grade

Bethany Christian School has a summer reading program for all students.

Students entering 3rd grade must read How to Eat Fried Worms by Thomas Rockwell.

An assignment is to be completed and given to the teacher on the first day of school. This assignment will count as the first reading grade of the school year. See the attached summer reading assignment worksheet

Additional suggestions for reading this summer:

Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse by Kevin Henkes

The Boxcar Children series by Gertrude Chandler Warner

Tacky the Penguin and other books by Helen Lester

Harry the Dirty Dog by Gene Zion

Cam Jansen series by David A. Adler

Why Mosquitoes Buzz in People's Ears by Verna Aardema

The Bears on Hemlock Mountain by Alice Dalgleish

The Secret Garden (Junior Classics for Young Readers)

Pinky and Rex series by James Howe

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Entering 4th Grade

Bethany Christian School has a summer reading program for all students.

Students entering 4th grade must read Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing by Judy Blume.

An assignment is to be completed and given to the teacher on the first day of school. This assignment will count as the first reading grade of the school year. See the attached summer reading assignment worksheet.

Additional suggestions for reading this summer:

Superfudge by Judy Blume

Encyclopedia Brown series by Donald Sobol

Black Cowboy, Wild Horses by Julius Lester

Bearskin by Howard Pyle

A Cricket in Times Square by George Selden

Little House on the Prairie by Laura Ingalls Wilder

Black Beauty by Anna Sewell

Beezus and Ramona by Beverly Cleary

Harriet the Spy by Louise Fitzhugh

Thank You, Jackie Robinson by Barbara Cohen

Pippi Longstocking by Astrid Lindgren

A Girl Named Disaster by Nancy Farmer

The Celery Stalks at Midnight by James Howe

George Washington's Breakfast and other books by Jean Fritz

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Entering 5th Grade

Bethany Christian School has a summer reading program for all students.

Students entering 5th grade must read A Wrinkle in Time by Madeline L'Engle. An assignment is to be completed and given to the teacher on the first day of school. This assignment will count as the first reading grade of the school year. See the attached summer reading assignment worksheet.

Additional suggestions for reading this summer:

The Jungle Book (the Whole Story) by Rudyard Kipling

Johnny Tremain by Esther Forbes

The Door in the Wall by Marguerite de Angeli

Mr. Popper's Penguins by Richard and Florence Atwater

Frindle by Andrew Clements

From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler by E. L. Konigsburg

The Trolls by Polly Hovarth

The Hardy Boys series by Franklin W. Dixon

Nancy Drew Mysteries by Carolyn Keene

Mary McLeod Bethune: Voice of Black Hope by Milton Meltzer

Souder by William Armstrong

Island of the Blue Dolphins by Scott O'Dell

Where the Red Fern Grows by Wilson Rawls

Freedom Train: The Story of Harriet Tubman by Dorothy Sterling

Caddie Woodlawn by Carol Ryrie Brink