

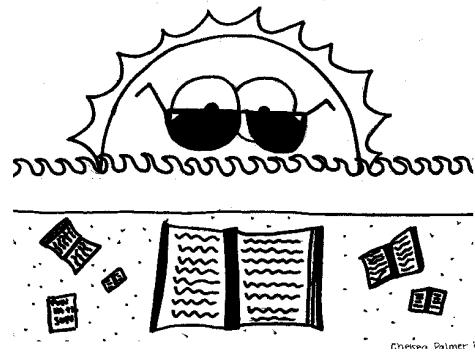
# Our Lady of Sorrows School

## Summer Reading—1<sup>st</sup> Grade

Make reading as central to your summer as going to the pool, eating ice cream, and sleeping late. Children build their vocabulary and imagination from listening to stories (see back) and reading independently. Plus, reading is fun! This summer, upcoming 1<sup>st</sup> graders will be required to read one book of their choice and complete a book report form available on <http://www.olsschool.com>.

### Picture Books

Terrific – Agee  
Boom Chicka Rock - Archambault  
More Parts – Arnold  
Hedgie Blasts Off – Brett  
Bob and Otto - Bruel  
Dawdle Duckling – Buzzeo  
Stellaluna – Cannon  
Slippers at Home – Clements  
Alvie Eats Soup – Collins  
Miss Rumphius – Cooney  
Two Old Potatoes and Me – Coy  
Diary of a Worm – Cronin  
Ten-Gallon Bart – Crummel  
All in One Hour – Crummel  
Ruby Sings the Blues – Daly  
The Gruffalo – Donaldson  
Leaf Man – Ehlert  
I Lost My Bear – Feiffer  
Muncha! Muncha! Muncha! – Fleming  
Koala Lou – Fox  
The Wildest Brother – Funke  
Carolinda Clatter – Gerstein  
Max – Graham  
Traction Man Is Here – Grey  
Chrysanthemum – Henkes  
Baby Brains Superstar – James  
What Do You do with a Tail Like This? – Jenkins  
The Hello, Goodbye Window – Juster  
What Pete Ate From A-Z – Kalman  
Take Me Out to the Bathtub – Katz  
Sam and the Tigers – Lester  
A House for Hermit Crab – Lionni  
Pirates – Lamm  
Aunt Lucy Went to Buy a Hat – Low  
What! Cried Granny – Lum  
Earthquack – Palatini



Noah's Ark – Pinkney  
Emma Kate – Polacco  
The Honest to Goodness Truth – McKissack  
My Daddy Is a Giant – Norac  
Officer Buckle and Gloria – Rathman  
The Race – Repchuk  
The Dot – Reynolds  
Epossumondas – Salley  
First the Egg - Seeger  
Good Boy, Fergus – Shannon, David  
Counting Crocodiles – Sierra  
Dr. DeSoto – Steig  
Great Fuzz Frenzy – Stevens & Crummel  
Cook-a-Doodle! – Stevens & Crummel \*  
And the Dish Ran Away with the Spoon  
- Stevens & Crummel\*  
This Little Pirate - Sturges  
Gotta Go! Gotta Go! – Swope  
The Secret Shortcut – Teague  
Sometimes I'm Bombaloo – Vail  
Ira Sleeps Over – Waber  
Scaredy Squirrel - Watt  
Flotsam - Wiesner  
Pigeon books -Willems  
Tadpole's Promise – Willis  
Squashed in the Middle - Winthrop  
Harry and Lulu – Yorinks  
Someone Says – Schaefer

# Great Family Read-Alouds

Mrs. Blair suggests these literary adventures for your summer vacation!

## **Book of a Thousand Days** by Shannon Hale

Remember the maiden locked away in a tower for refusing to marry a man she hates? Hale re-imagines the story through the diary of Lady Saren's maid Dashti. Two suitors show up, one beloved and the other despised. Impersonating her traumatized mistress, Dashti finds herself torn between duty and love.

## **The London Eye Mystery** by Siobhan Dowd

A stranger steps forward with a free ticket to ride the London Eye, an observation ferris wheel. Salim takes it, leaves behind his cousins Ted and Kat, enters the ride, but doesn't get off. Where is he? Follow this page turner in which our two sleuths, Ted with his encyclopedic brain, and Kat with her keen intuition, find their answer.

## **Miss Spitfire: reaching Helen Keller** by Sarah Miller

"It's up to me to show Helen that communication between people exists at all." So Annie Sullivan speaks of her famous pupil, Helen Keller. Drawing from Sullivan's letters, Miller introduces us to Annie Sullivan from the long train ride to Alabama to Helen's first words at the water pump, to the miraculous relationship that develops.

## **The Dragonfly Pool** by Eva Ibbotson

With World War II underway and threatening air raids in London, Tally's father sends her to the safety of Delderton, a quirky boarding school in the country. Eleven-year-old Tally forms a dancing troupe to go to an international folk-dancing festival in Bergania where the king is refusing Hitler's demands to occupy the kingdom. Friendship, murder, smuggling, isolation and reunion unfold in this enthralling story.

## **The Leanin' Dog** by K.A. Nuzum

Every summer needs a good dog book. Dessa Dean is now in the deep of winter after having lost her mother in a winter storm. Along comes a dog who needs a friend as much as Dessa Dean.

## **The Mysterious Benedict Society** by Trenton Lee Stewart

### **The Mysterious Benedict Society and the Perilous Journey**

Mr. Benedict gathers together a group of "gifted children looking for special opportunities" to decipher clues and stop villainy. Action, puzzles, traps, villains, tests, perils...these adventure books connect the dots!

## **Percy Jackson and the Olympians (series)** by Rick Riordan

When Percy Jackson learns that he is the modern-day, half-blood son of a Greek god, his life becomes a fantastic quest to save the world. Full of action, adventure, and Greek mythology, the last book came out in May!

## **Oggie Cooder** by Sarah Weeks

Read this cheesy book and discover a new hobby—charving! It is a great way to spend the summer!