

Summer Reading 2019  
Incoming Grades 1 & 2  
Ancillae-Assumpta Academy

Dear Summer Readers,

Summer is a fabulous time to relax and read. This summer's reading list encourages you to do just that with many terrific titles.

For your summer assignment:

1. Read four picture books or one book from a series on this list.
2. Choose one of the books you have read from the reading list.
3. Illustrate a scene from that book on the assignment sheet.
4. On a separate sheet of paper, write or dictate one or two sentences about your illustration.
5. Bring in your drawing and sentences to school in September. You will use it for a class assignment.

Check out these titles at your local library or at a bookstore near you. Have a wonderful summer, and may the books you choose take you on many adventures!



## **First & Second Grades – Pick Four Picture Books or One Book from a Series**

### *Picture Books (Pick 4)*

#### **The Adventures of Beekle: The Unimaginary Friend** by Dan Santat

An imaginary friend waits a long time to be imagined by a child and given a special name. He finally does the unimaginable; he sets out on a quest to find his perfect match in the real world.

#### **How To Read A Story** by Kate Messner

A wonderful story that teaches the reader the steps on how to become a reader and discover what the world of books has to offer them.

#### **We're All Wonders** by R.J. Palacio

Auggie knows he's no ordinary kid, but everyone is different and everyone is a wonder - if only they could see it.

#### **Peanut Butter & Cupcake** by Teddy Border

A hilarious and heartwarming story about fun and friendship and food.

#### **Dragons Love Tacos** by Adam Rubin

This story explores the love dragons have for tacos and the dangers of feeding them anything with spicy salsa.

#### **After the Fall: How Humpty Dumpty Got Back Up Again** by Dan Santat

After his terrible fall from the wall, Humpty Dumpty is afraid to climb again—but really misses seeing his beloved birds. Can he find a way to conquer his fear?

#### **Strictly No Elephants** by: Lisa Mantchev

A boy and his tiny pet elephant show everyone what it means to be a true friend.

#### **The Noisy Paint Box** by Barb Rosenstock

This book tells the fascinating story of Vasily Kandinsky, one of the very first painters of abstract art. Throughout his life, Kandinsky experienced colors as sounds and sounds as colors. Bold, groundbreaking works burst forth from his noisy paint box.

#### **The Day the Crayons Quit** by Drew Daywalt

When Duncan arrives at school one morning, he finds a stack of letters, one from each of his crayons, complaining about how he uses them.

#### **That is Not a Good Idea!** by Mo Willems

Illustrations that resemble a silent film tell the story of a plump mama goose who is invited to dinner by a hungry fox while her babies try to warn her that it is a bad idea.

#### **Penny and Her Marble** by Kevin Henkes

Penny feels guilty after taking a beautiful blue marble that she sees in Mrs. Goodwin's grass, but she gets a pleasant surprise when she goes to return it the next day.

#### **Maybe Something Beautiful** by F. Isabel Campoy

Mira lives in a gray urban neighborhood, until a muralist arrives and inspires color, art, and joy in the community. Based on the true story of the Urban Art Trail

#### **I Don't Want to Be a Frog** by Dev Petty

A frog who yearns to be any animal that is cute and warm discovers that being wet, slimy, and full of bugs has its advantages.

#### **Throw Your Tooth on The Roof** by Selby B. Beeler

What do You do when you lose a tooth? Do you put it under the pillow and wait for the tooth fairy? Travel around the world and discover the surprising things children do when they lose a tooth.

**Mr. Tiger Goes Wild** by Peter Brown

Bored with city life and proper behavior it requires, Mr. Tiger has a wild idea that leads him to discover his true nature.

**Stand Tall, Molly Lou Melon** by Patty Lovell

Leave it to Molly to transform all her faults into marvelous talents. This book leaves readers with the feeling that anything can be accomplished if you are the best person you can be and make the most of your gifts.

**Anansi and the Moss-Covered Rock** by Eric Kimmel

Anansi the Spider uses a strange moss-covered rock in the forest to trick all of the other animals until Little Bush Deer decides he needs to learn a lesson.

**Rosie Revere Engineer** by Andrea Beaty

Learn from Rosie to be inspired to make great inventions from what you see around you. Also just like Rosie, learn the important lesson that making a mistake is not something to fear but to celebrate and persevere.

*First and Second Grade Series – Pick 1*

**The Critter Club** by Simon and Schuster

This is a new series about four best friends, lots of animals saved, and tons of fun along the way!

**Katie Woo** by Fran Manushkin

For Katie Woo, school is one big adventure. Follow her as she learns how to be a great classmate and friend.

**Nancy Clancy** by Jane O'Connor

Read along as Nancy and her best friend, Bree, look for and solve mysteries with all the right accessories and smarts.

**The Chicken Squad** by Doreen Cronin

They might be chicks but they sure aren't chicken and they are on a mission. Join them on their misadventures on the farm.

**Clarice Bean** by Lauren Child

Lauren Child evokes the mostly joyful chaos of family life – through the eyes of an observant young narrator.

**Henry and Mudge** by Cynthia Rylant

Stories about the companionship and love between a boy and his big dog.

**Ivy and Bean** by Annie Barrows

In these stories, Ivy (a quiet, intellectual child) and Bean (a rambunctious child) become fast friends despite their differences and their initial reluctance to like each other – "two friends who never meant to like each other". They are both 8-year-old girls who live on a cul-de-sac in a suburban environment on Pancake Court, in an unnamed town. In each book they get into considerable mischief.

**Heidi Heckelbeck** by Wanda Coven

Heidi Heckelbeck seems like any other eight-year-old, but she has a secret: She's a witch in disguise! She is careful to keep her powers hidden, but excited to use them all the same. Heidi is learning to live like any other kid who just happens to be a witch.

**Roscoe Riley Rules** by Katherine Applegate

First grader Roscoe Riley doesn't mean to break the rules- he just can't help himself.

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Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

A large, empty rectangular box with a black border, intended for students to write their responses or notes.

Grades 1 & 2 – Please bring this completed summer reading assignment sheet to the first day of school.  
For all summer reading lists and assignment information, see [www.ancillae.org](http://www.ancillae.org).