

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN SCHOOL RISING THIRD GRADE SUMMER READING 2021

Rising 3rd Grade Summer Library Hours June and July Tuesdays and Wednesdays 8:00 - 1:00 (Closed the week of July 4th)

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## **BOOK SUGGESTIONS**

#### Field Trip Mysteries by Steven Brezenoff

Four fun kids find themselves in the middle of a mystery on every school field trip they take!

#### Here's Hank series by Henry Winkler and Lin Oliver

Hank Zipzer is in second grade. He doesn't try to be funny, but he always manages to make his classmates laugh. He's bad at memorizing and spelling is his worst subject (so are math and reading) thanks to his undiagnosed dyslexia.

#### Kylie Jean series by Marci Peschke

Second-grader Kylie Jean wants to be the queen of everything! But in her quest to be the best, this young southern belle learns a few lessons of her own.

#### A to Z Mysteries by Ron Roy

Third graders, Dink Duncan, Josh Pinto, and Ruth Rose Hathaway are good friends and neighbors that love nothing more than a good mystery.

#### *Nancy Clancy* series by Jane O'Connor

Nancy and her friend Bree fancy themselves as detectives, like their fictional hero, Nancy Drew.

#### **Ballpark Mysteries series by David A. Kelly**

Baseball fans will love this series! Each book is packed with action, mystery, and plenty of baseball.

#### *Ranger in Time* series by Kate Messner

Ranger has been trained as a search-and-rescue dog, but can't officially pass the test because he is always getting distracted by squirrels in his exercises. Ranger takes us back in time through Messner's historical fiction series.

#### My Weird School Daze series by Dan Gutman

This series gets its zest from AJ's lively commentary on school life.

#### Shaquille O'Neal series by Shaquille O'Neal

O'Neal's series will inspire children to play fair and have fun while fostering a love of reading.

This reading list is only book suggestions, not required reading. Students may choose AR books that are not listed.

#### Anne series by Kallie George (inspired by Anne of Green Gables)

The Cuthberts want to adopt a little boy to help them on the farm. Instead, they get Anne, spelled with an 'e'! Anne has always dreamed of finding her true home. Could Green Gables be it?

#### **Puppy Place** series by Ellen Miles

Charles and Lizzie Peterson love puppies. They want a puppy of their own more than just about anything. They know dogs are a lot of work. But their mom still doesn't think their family is ready for a puppy.

#### Stink series by Megan McDonald

Stink is really smart and really funny. He is a math maniac, a science star, and an encyclopedia enthusiast who loves discovering the world around him.

#### Hardy Boys series by Franklin W. Dixon

Frank and Joe Hardy, teenage brothers, are amateur detectives that despite frequent danger, never lose their nerve while on assignments.

#### Piper Green series by Ellen Potter

Life on an island in Maine is always interesting! Children, lobster boats, and a hint of magic are part of Piper's everyday life.

#### **Pug series by Laura James**

Pug and his best friend, Lady Miranda, embark on fabulous adventures throughout the four-book series.

#### Humphrey (Tiny Tales) series by Betty G. Birney

Everyone's favorite classroom pet, Humphrey, is one happy hamster. He lives in Room 26 at Longfellow School. He has a big comfy cage with a wheel perfect for spinning and a room full of friends eager to embark on adventures.

## **GRAPHIC NOVELS**

- Geronimo Stilton series by various authors
- Bad Guys series by Aaron Blabey
- Real Pigeon series by Andrew McDonald
- Haggis and Tank series by Jessica Young
- Bird and Squirrel by James Burks

## **BIOGRAPHIES**

For the Right to Learn: Malala Yousafzai's Story by Rebecca Langston-George

In a world where women were supposed to be quiet, Malala Yousafzai refused to be silent and spoke out against the Taliban.

#### The Quickest Kid in Clarksville by Pat Zietlow Miller

What happens when a new girl with shiny new shoes challenges the quickest kid in town?

#### The Crayon Man by Natascha Biebow

The true story of an inventor who so loved nature's vibrant colors that he found a way to bring the outside world to children - in a bright green box for only a nickel!

# *There Goes Ted Williams: The Greatest Hitter Who Ever Lived* by Matt Tavares

Ted Williams was an ordinary kid who wanted one thing: to hit a baseball better than anyone else. So he practiced his swing every chance he got. And then practiced it some more. From his days playing ball in North Park as a kid to his unmatched .406 season in 1941 to his stints as a fighter pilot in World War II and Korea, the story of Teddy Ballgame is the story of an American hero.

#### W is for Webster: Noah Webster and His American Dictionary by Tracy Fern

Noah Webster loved learning. He thought America needed its own language and knew he was just the man to create it. He thought it would take him five years to complete the dictionary but it took him twenty. Today the complete and comprehensive book of American English is the second-most printed book in the English language.

### Nonfiction

#### What was...series by various authors (970 Wha)

This series covers the world's most important historic events. These books address everything from revolutionary battles to natural disasters

#### Flower Talk (How Plants Use Color to Communicate) by Sara Levine

Did you know plants can talk? It's true! Plants use the colors of their flowers to communicate with animals. Learn the secrets of flower talk from a narrator with an inside scoop!

#### Snooze-O-Rama by Maria Birmingham

Drawing on scientific research, this nonfiction book for young readers playfully compares the way humans and animals prepare for a good night's sleep.

### Reading is a Key to Your Child's Success!

It is our hope that you will continue to immerse your child in literature over the summer break. In reading, the proverb practice makes perfect reigns true. Research indicates that in learning to read - just reading - is the most powerful contributor to the development of accurate, fluent, high-comprehension reading. It is also proven that at every age level, reading more pages in school and at home is directly associated with higher reading scores. We can say with confidence that the actual time spent reading is the best predictor of a child's reading achievement - the more students read, the better readers they become.

## **POPULAR NONFICTION TOPICS**

Topics	Dewey Decimal Classification					
Space	520					
Weather	550					
Animals	590					
Sports	790					

Why nonfiction? Reading nonfiction for pleasure helps students build vocabulary, critical thinking, and analytical skills that are essential in our informationheavy society. Young readers are curious and love to share facts about information in which they are passionate. As they continue the transition from learning to read to reading to learn, it is essential that they are immersed in a wide range of nonfiction texts on different levels and subjects.

### PARENTS:

Trinity's Lower School implements the Accelerated Reader program as a tool to monitor independent reading. AR is a computer based program that assesses student reading comprehension. The quick generally five to ten question assessment, presents questions followed by four possible answers, allowing the children to begin learning the importance of weighing options and making informed decisions. Students are awarded points based on the number of questions answered correctly.

The teacher and the librarians are able to use this information, combined with many other tools, to assist the children in making appropriate book choices as well as identifying student growth in comprehension.

Students in the third grade are encouraged to reach **50 points** in the Accelerated Reader program during the 2021-2022 school year **(August 16th - May 16th).** 

#### Summer reading AR tests are administered in the the lower school library during summer library hours.

### THIRD GRADE Summer Reading Requirements

• Read 3 books on the child's independent reading level and take the corresponding AR tests.

• One of the three books must be a biography or nonfiction book.

The library will be closed August 9th and August 10th for professional development.

The library will reopen on Wednesday, August 11th.

# Summer @ the Library

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### Open Tuesday and Wednesday (8am- 1pm)

## WACKY WEDNESDAY STORYTIME (10am) TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN SCHOOL LOWER SCHOOL LIBRARY (JOIN US FOR STORIES, CRAFTS, AND FUN)







