

## Grade 3 Summer Reading List 2018

For our 3<sup>rd</sup> grade readers, our summer reading books are selected such that our 3<sup>rd</sup> graders should be able to read the books independently or with assistance from a parent/guardian. If your child struggles with independent reading, many of these books are available on tape at the library so that your child can read along with the tape. You can also take turns reading to your child and your child reading aloud to you.

### **Required Book**

Every 3<sup>rd</sup> grader must read *Third Grade Angels* by Jerry Spinelli. The first couple weeks, we will complete in-class assignments and activities, in which students should have read this book to participate in. Then the students will take an Accelerated Reader test on it once AR accounts have been set up for the year.

### **Required Additional Activity**

Every 3<sup>rd</sup> grader must complete a Summer Journal (see the attached letter). Please bring it to school at supply drop off or on the first day of school.

### **Suggested Optional Reading - Student Selected**

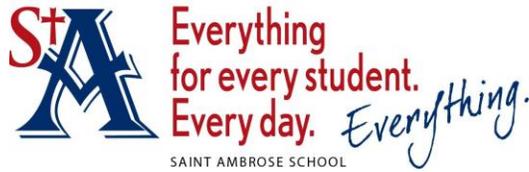
*Students are encouraged to read at least one other book from the lists below.*

#### **Fiction (Any book in one of the following series)**

1. Arthur Chapter Book by Marc Brown
2. Bad Kitty by Nick Bruel
3. Bailey School Kids by Debbie Dadey and Marcia Thornton Jones
4. Boxcar Children by Gertrude Chandler Warner
5. Geronimo Stilton by G. Stilton
6. Horrible Harry by Suzy Kline
7. Judy Moody or Stink by Megan McDonald
8. Magic Tree House by Mary Pope Osborne
9. My Weird School by Dan Gutman
10. Freddy by Abby Klein
11. Third Grade Detectives by George E. Stanley

#### **Nonfiction Books**

1. The Story of Ruby Bridges by Robert Coles
2. The Best Book of Sharks by Claire Llewellyn
3. Pumpkin Circle: The Story of a Garden by George Levenson
4. Any title from Blast Off Readers (nonfiction books by Scholastic)
5. Any nonfiction book by the following authors:
  - a. Gail Gibbons
  - b. Greg Tang
  - c. David A. Adler



June, 2018

Hello Third Grader!

We are so excited that you are in third grade this fall that we have already started planning what you are going to learn about. We do not want to let the cat out of the bag yet though! We will let you know some of the activities we will be doing this year when you return to school in August.

In the meantime, we have a little project for you to complete over the summer. We know you can't wait to begin working on it, so here is all the information that you need.

You will create a summer journal or scrapbook. You may use a spiral notebook, construction paper, bound book, or whatever else you can think of for your journal. Be creative! Your journal must include the following:

- ❖ A decorated cover with your name on it
- ❖ 6 Journal Entries – You need two entries for June, two entries for July and two entries for August. Each entry should highlight something you did during that month. (It doesn't need to be a trip. The entry should be at least \*4 sentences. It could be something as simple as a fun day that you had playing in your backyard with friends.) Include a picture or photograph with each entry. ***Be sure to write in complete sentences.***

Have a safe, fun summer! We can't wait to meet you!

Mrs. Koval & Miss Graber