

## Villa Maria Academy First Grade Summer Reading List

Dear Parents,

We hope you and your family are having a wonderful summer! As a part of your summer routine, we would like to encourage you to spend 15 minutes a day reading with your daughter. Reading daily with your daughter is a way to help her grow as a reader. This may be your daughter reading to you or you reading to your daughter. When you read to your daughter, you model good reading behaviors for her. When your daughter reads to you, she practices skills that she learned in kindergarten. Reading together is a way to spend high quality time. Books can create a springboard for many good conversations or 'book talks'. We have prepared some suggestions for you and your daughter. The books cover a wide range of reading levels and topics.

We look forward to seeing your daughter on the first day of school. Have a safe and happy summer!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Kaas and Mrs. Long

**If your daughter is a beginning reader, she may enjoy:**

Hello Reader Series, level 1

Step into Reading series, level 1 and 2

**If your daughter is reading, she may like:**

Frog and Toad series (Arnold Lobel)

Henry and Mudge series (Cynthia Rylant)

Pete the Cat series (James Dean)

Splat the Cat series (Rob Scotton)

Elephant and Piggie series (Mo Willems)

**If your daughter is reading chapter books, she may like:**

The Owl Diaries (Rebecca Elliott)

The Magic Treehouse (Mary Pope Osborn)

Cam Jansen (David Adler)

**Some favorite Mighty Girl recommendations:**

Stand Tall Molly Lou Mellon (Patty Lovell)

Paper Bag Princess (Robert Munsch)

A Chair for My Mother (Vera B. Williams)

Miss Rumphius (Barbara Cooney)

My Name is Not Isabella (Jennifer Fosberry)

Amazing Grace (Mary Hoffman)

Rosie Revere Engineer (Andrea Beaty)

We know nonfiction animal books are a favorite among this age group! Check out:

National Geographic Level 1 and Level 2 books

Have a beautiful and blessed summer!