



ST. MARY'S SCHOOL
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Summer Reading list for classes 5-6 (2017)

Choose any one or more from the given list (you may choose any one book of your choice to read)

Humour

1. Matilda- Roald Dahl
2. The Wonderful Story of Henry Sugar - Roald Dahl
3. James and the Giant Peach- Roald Dahl
4. Going Solo- Roald Dahl
5. BFG- Roald Dahl
6. Charlie and the Chocolate Factory- Roald Dahl
7. The Series of unfortunate Events- Lemony Snicket
8. Just William - All from the series- By Richmal Crompton
9. Mouse Attack- Manjula Padmanabhan
10. Mouse Invaders- Manjula Padmanabhan

Realistic Fiction

1. Anne of the Green Gables(series) – L.M. Montgomery
2. Rusty, the boy from the Hills- Ruskin Bond
3. Treasury of Stories for Children- Ruskin Bond
4. Double Act- Jacqueline Wilson
5. Video Rose-- Jacqueline Wilson
6. The Mum Minder- Jacqueline Wilson
7. The Illustrated Mum- Jacqueline Wilson
8. The Lettie Project- Jacqueline Wilson
9. Buried Alive- Jacqueline Wilson
10. Take a Good Look- Jacqueline Wilson
11. My Brother Bernedette- Jacqueline Wilson
12. How to Survive a Summer Camp- Jacqueline Wilson
13. The Worry Web Site- Jacqueline Wilson
14. An Old Fashioned Girl- Louisa May Alcott
15. Eight Cousins- Louisa May Alcott
16. Rose in Bloom- Louisa May Alcott
17. Under the Lilac- Louisa May Alcott
18. Are You there , God? It's Me – Margaret- Judy Blume
19. Heidi- Johanna Spyri
20. Holes- Louis Sachar
21. The Railway Children- E Nisbit
22. Red Sky in to Morning- Elizabeth Laird

Fantasy

1. Through the Looking Glass- Lewis Carroll
2. Artemis Fowl series- Eoin Colfer
3. The Indian in the Cupboard- Lynne Reid Banks (series)
4. Harry Potter Series – J K Rowling
5. Haroun and the Sea of Stories – Salman Rushie
6. The Chronicles of Narnia Series – C S Lewis
7. The Sword in the Stone – T H White
8. Puck of Pook's Hill – Rudyard Kipling
9. Five children and It- E Nesbit
10. A Wrinkle in Time – Madeline L'Engle
11. Mary Poppins - P L Travers
12. Peter Pan – J M Barrie
13. Tuck Everlasting – Natalie Babbitt
14. The Borrowers (series) – Mary Norton
15. The Phantom Tollbooth – Norton Juster
16. The Wizard of Oz – Frank L Baum
17. Welcome to the Dead House – R L Stine
18. Goosebump Series – R L Stine
19. Z for Zachariah – Robert O Brian

Animal Stories

1. Beastly Tales from Here and There – Vikram Seth
2. Charlotte's Web – E B White
3. The Trumpet of the Swan – E B White
4. Stuart Little – E B White
5. 101 Dalmations – Dodie Smith
6. Starlight Barking – Dodie Smith
7. The Wind in the Willows – Kenneth Graham
8. All Creatures Great and Small – James Herriot
9. Because of Win Dixie – Kate Dicamillo
10. Lassie – Eric Knight
11. Cobra in my Kitchen – Zai Whitaker
12. Call of the Wild – Jack London
13. Greyfriars Bobby –Eleanor Atkinson
14. Birds, Beasts and Relatives – Gerald Durrell
15. A Zoo in my Luggage – Gerald Durrell

Adventure and Mystery

1. Famous Five/Secret Seven/Five Find-Outers etc – Enid Blyton
2. Hardy Boys – series – Franklin Dixon
3. Nancy Drew – series – Carolyn Keene
4. Emil and the Detectives – Eric Kastner
5. Silent to the Bone - Konigsburg, E.L
6. There's a Kangaroo in My Soup – Joan Lennon.

Choose any one of the following poems or any one of your choice and memorise it. You can also write your own poem. You will be asked to recite the poem when you return after Summer Break. You have to keep the following points in mind while learning the poem-

- Clarity
- Diction
- Expressions
- Pauses
- Memory

Few samples of the poem that you may learn are as follows-

1. Cloony the Clown

by Shel Silverstein

I'll tell you the story of Cloony the Clown
Who worked in a circus that came through town.
His shoes were too big and his hat was too small,
But he just wasn't, just wasn't funny at all.

He had a trombone to play loud silly tunes,
He had a green dog and a thousand balloons.
He was floppy and sloppy and skinny and tall,
But he just wasn't, just wasn't funny at all.

And every time he did a trick,
Everyone felt a little sick.
And every time he told a joke,
Folks sighed as if their hearts were broke.

And every time he lost a shoe,
Everyone looked awfully blue.
And every time he stood on his head,
Everyone screamed, "Go back to bed!"

And every time he made a leap,
Everybody fell asleep.
And every time he ate his tie,

Everyone began to cry.

And Cloony could not make any money
Simply because he was not funny.
One day he said, "I'll tell this town
How it feels to be an unfunny clown."

And he told them all why he looked so sad,
And he told them all why he felt so bad.
He told of Pain and Rain and Cold,
He told of Darkness in his soul,

And after he finished his tale of woe,
Did everyone cry? Oh no, no, no,
They laughed until they shook the trees
With "Hah-Hah-Hahs" and "Hee-Hee-Hees."

They laughed with howls and yowls and shrieks,
They laughed all day, they laughed all week,
They laughed until they had a fit,
They laughed until their jackets split.

The laughter spread for miles around
To every city, every town,
Over mountains, 'cross the sea,
From Saint Tropez to Mun San Nee.

And soon the whole world rang with laughter,
Lasting till forever after,
While Cloony stood in the circus tent,
With his head drooped low and his shoulders bent.

And he said, "THAT IS NOT WHAT I MEANT -
I'M FUNNY JUST BY ACCIDENT."
And while the world laughed outside.
Cloony the Clown sat down and cried.

2. The Pig

by Roald Dahl

In England once there lived a big
And wonderfully clever pig.
To everybody it was plain
That Piggy had a massive brain.
He worked out sums inside his head,
There was no book he hadn't read.
He knew what made an airplane fly,
He knew how engines worked and why.
He knew all this, but in the end
One question drove him round the bend:
He simply couldn't puzzle out
What LIFE was really all about.
What was the reason for his birth?
Why was he placed upon this earth?
His giant brain went round and round.
Alas, no answer could be found.
Till suddenly one wondrous night.
All in a flash he saw the light.
He jumped up like a ballet dancer
And yelled, "By gum, I've got the answer!"
"They want my bacon slice by slice
"To sell at a tremendous price!
"They want my tender juicy chops
"To put in all the butcher's shops!
"They want my pork to make a roast
"And that's the part'll cost the most!
"They want my sausages in strings!
"They even want my chitterlings!
"The butcher's shop! The carving knife!
"That is the reason for my life!"
Such thoughts as these are not designed
To give a pig great piece of mind.
Next morning, in comes Farmer Bland,
A pail of pigswill in his hand,
And piggy with a mighty roar,
Bashes the farmer to the floor...
Now comes the rather grizzly bit
So let's not make too much of it,
Except that you must understand
That Piggy did eat Farmer Bland,
He ate him up from head to toe,

Chewing the pieces nice and slow.
It took an hour to reach the feet,
Because there was so much to eat,
And when he finished, Pig, of course,
Felt absolutely no remorse.
Slowly he scratched his brainy head
And with a little smile he said,
"I had a fairly powerful hunch
"That he might have me for his lunch.
"And so, because I feared the worst,
"I thought I'd better eat him first."

3. The Owl and the Pussy Cat

by Edward Lear

The Owl and the Pussy Cat went to sea
In a beautiful pea-green boat,
They took some honey, and plenty of money
Wrapped up in a five-pound note.
The Owl looked up to the stars above,
And sang to a small guitar,
"O lovely Pussy, O Pussy, my love,
What a beautiful Pussy you are,
You are,
You are!
What a beautiful Pussy you are!"

Pussy said to the Owl, "You elegant fowl!
How charmingly sweet you sing!
O let us be married! too long we have tarried:
But what shall we do for a ring?"
They sailed away, for a year and a day,
To the land where the Bong-tree grows
And there in a wood a Piggy-wig stood
With a ring at the end of his nose,
His nose,
His nose,
With a ring at the end of his nose.

"Dear Pig, are you willing to sell for one shilling
Your ring?" Said the Piggy, "I will."
So they took it away, and were married next day
By the Turkey who lives on the hill.
They dined on mince, and slices of quince,
Which they ate with a runcible spoon;
And hand in hand, on the edge of the sand,
They danced by the light of the moon,
The moon,
The moon,
They danced by the light of the moon.

4. Dentist and the Crocodile

by Roald Dahl

The crocodile, with cunning smile, sat in the dentist's chair.

He said, "Right here and everywhere my teeth require repair."

The dentist's face was turning white. He quivered, quaked and shook.

He muttered, "I suppose I'm going to have to take a look." "I want you," Crocodile declared, "to do the back ones first.

The molars at the very back are easily the worst."

He opened wide his massive jaws. It was a fearsome sight—

At least three hundred pointed teeth, all sharp and shining white.

The dentist kept himself well clear. He stood two yards away.

He chose the longest probe he had to search out the decay.

"I said to do the back ones first!" the Crocodile called out.

"You're much too far away, dear sir, to see what you're about.

To do the back ones properly you've got to put your head

Deep down inside my great big mouth," the grinning Crocodile said.

The poor old dentist wrung his hands and, weeping in despair,

He cried, "No no! I see them all extremely well from here!"

Just then, in burst a lady, in her hands a golden chain.

She cried, "Oh Croc, you naughty boy, you're playing tricks again!"

"Watch out!" the dentist shrieked and started climbing up the wall.

"He's after me! He's after you! He's going to eat us all!"

"Don't be a twit," the lady said, and flashed a gorgeous smile.

"He's harmless. He's my little pet, my lovely crocodile."

5. I Still Rise

Maya Angelou

You may write me down in history
With your bitter, twisted lies,
You may tread me in the very dirt
But still, like dust, I'll rise.

Does my sassiness upset you?
Why are you beset with gloom?
'Cause I walk like I've got oil wells
Pumping in my living room.

Just like moons and like suns,
With the certainty of tides,
Just like hopes springing high,
Still I'll rise.

Did you want to see me broken?
Bowed head and lowered eyes?
Shoulders falling down like teardrops.
Weakened by my soulful cries.

Does my haughtiness offend you?
Don't you take it awful hard
'Cause I laugh like I've got gold mines
Diggin' in my own back yard.

You may shoot me with your words,
You may cut me with your eyes,
You may kill me with your hatefulness,
But still, like air, I'll rise.

Does my sexiness upset you?
Does it come as a surprise
That I dance like I've got diamonds
At the meeting of my thighs?

Out of the huts of history's shame
I rise
Up from a past that's rooted in pain
I rise
I'm a black ocean, leaping and wide,
Welling and swelling I bear in the tide.
Leaving behind nights of terror and fear
I rise
Into a daybreak that's wondrously clear
I rise
Bringing the gifts that my ancestors gave,
I am the dream and the hope of the slave.
I rise
I rise
I rise.

6. I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings

Maya Angelou

The free bird leaps
on the back of the wind
and floats downstream
till the current ends
and dips his wings
in the orange sun rays
and dares to claim the sky.

But a bird that stalks
down his narrow cage
can seldom see through
his bars of rage
his wings are clipped and
his feet are tied
so he opens his throat to sing.

The caged bird sings
with fearful trill
of the things unknown
but longed for still
and his tune is heard
on the distant hill
for the caged bird
sings of freedom

The free bird thinks of another breeze
and the trade winds soft through the sighing trees
and the fat worms waiting on a dawn-bright lawn
and he names the sky his own.

But a caged bird stands on the grave of dreams
his shadow shouts on a nightmare scream
his wings are clipped and his feet are tied
so he opens his throat to sing

The caged bird sings
with a fearful trill
of things unknown
but longed for still
and his tune is heard
on the distant hill
for the caged bird
sings of freedom.

Movie List

The Lion King

Goal

Billy Elliot

My Left Foot

Back to the Future

Finding Nemo

Home Alone

Wall-E