

St. Patrick's Episcopal Day School 2017 Summer Reading for Students Entering Grade 3*		
Required Reading		
<i>Jake Drake, Bully Buster</i>	Clements, Andrew	Fiction
Nonfiction		
<i>Ada's Violin: The Story of the Recycled Orchestra of Paraguay</i>	Hood, Susan	Non-fiction - Story of a Paraguayan youth orchestra whose instruments are crafted from items collected in the local landfill.
<i>The Book Itch: Freedom, Truth, and Harlem's Greatest Bookstore</i>	Nel, Vaunda Micheaux	Nonfiction - story of the National Memorial African Bookstore and its owner, Lewis Michaux, both fixtures of the Harlem community for many years.
<i>Carving on the Tree</i>	Campbell, Elizabeth Anderson	Nonfiction - A story about Roanoke, the lost colony.
<i>The Case for Loving: The Fight for Interracial Marriage</i>	Alko, Selena	Picture Book - A tribute to the example of the Loving family describes how they were arrested in mid-twentieth-century Virginia for violating laws against interracial marriage and argued their case all the way to the Supreme Court, prompting a landmark civil rights triumph.
<i>Coming to America: the story of immigration</i>	Maestro, Betsey	Nonfiction - Traces the history of immigration to America, from the prehistoric peoples who crossed the land bridge from Asia to modern war refugees.
<i>Jars of Hope: How One Woman Helped Save 2,500 Children During the Holocaust</i>	Roy, Jennifer Rozines	Picture Book - A biographical account of Irena Sendler, a Polish nurse and social worker who saved many Jewish children during World War II.
<i>Legendary Miss Lena Horne, The</i>	Weatherford, Carole Boston	Biography - Biography of the life of entertainer Lena Horne and the many different episodes of racism she experienced in her storied career.
<i>Martina & Chrissie: The Greatest Rivalry in the History of Sports</i>	Bildner, Phil	Nonfiction - A picture-book introduction to tennis greats Chris Evert and Martina Navratilova and their rivalry.
<i>Poem for Peter: The Story of Ezra Jack Keats and the Creation of The Snowy Day</i>	Pinkney, Andrea Davis	Poetry/Biography - An ode to to Ezra Jack Keats, born Jacob Ezra Katz, who changed the landscape of children's book publishing by giving readers the character of Peter, in his red hooded snowsuit.
<i>Search for Olinguito, The: Discovering a New Species</i>	Markle, Sandra	Nonfiction - A species of mammal newly identified through museum research is found in the wild in Ecuador.
<i>Secret Subway, The</i>	Corey, Shana	In mid-19th-century New York, Alfred Ely Beach works in secret to create an underground train powered by an enormous fan, a precursor to the modern subway.
<i>Separate is Never Equal: Sylvia Mendez and Her Family's Fight for Desegregation</i>	Duncan, Tonatiuh	Nonfiction - Years before the landmark U.S. Supreme Court ruling <i>Brown v. Board of Education</i> , Sylvia Mendez, an eight-year-old girl of Mexican and Puerto Rican heritage, played an instrumental role in <i>Mendez v. Westminster</i> , the landmark desegregation case of 1946 in California
<i>Step Right Up: How Doc and Jim Key Taught the World About Kindness</i>	Bowman, Donna Janell	Biography - Story of William "Doc" Key, a formerly enslaved man who, with love and kindness, trained a brilliant horse to answer questions, spell words, and do math for an audience.
<i>Tiny Stitches: The Life of Medical Pioneer Vivien Thomas</i>	Hooks, Gwendolyn	Biography - Story of Vivien Thomas, who faced multiple trials in his vital role in the development of children's open-heart surgery.
<i>Time to Act, A: John F. Kennedy's Big Speech</i>	Corey, Shana	Nonfiction - On June 11, 1963, Kennedy's "big speech"—his civil rights address—was a game changer, and his efforts laid the groundwork for the Civil Rights Act of 1964.
<i>United States of America: A State-by-State Guide, The</i>	Miller, Millie	Nonfiction - A unique state-by-state guide that shows the beauty and diversity in all our states and provides traditional information.
Fiction		
<i>Anna Carries Water</i>	Senior Olive	Picture Book - A family story set in Jamaica that shows young readers the power of determination, as Anna achieves her goal and overcomes her fear.

<i>Armstrong: The Adventurous Journey of a Mouse to the Moon</i>	Kuhlmann, Torben	Picture Book - A young mouse's obsession with the moon leads him to experiment, sometimes with failure, to launch himself into outer space.
<i>Audacity Jones (series)</i>	Larson, Kirby	Historical Fiction - "Wayward girl," Audacity Jones travels across the country, foiling a kidnapping plot at the White House and helping Harry Houdini.
<i>Bandit's Tale, A: The Muddled Misadventures of a Pickpocket</i>	Hopkinson, Deborah	Historical Fiction - Rocco Zaccaro is accused of a crime and become unwilling immigrant, leaving his small Italian town and moving to New York. When he finds that he has been recruited to be a virtual child slave he makes some important choices, not all of them good.
<i>Book Uncle and Me</i>	Krishnaswami, Uma	Realistic Fiction - When her source of books is threatened, so is 9-year-old Yasmin changes her goal from reading a book a day to enlisting her neighborhood to save their lending library.
<i>Boy Called Bat</i>	Arnold, Elana K.	A third-grade boy becomes fascinated with an orphaned skunk kit and wages a campaign to convince his veterinarian mom that their family should care for the animal until it can be released to the wild.
<i>Clara Lee and the Apple Pie Dream</i>	Han, Jenny	Fiction - Korean American fourth-grader Clara Lee longs to be Little Miss Apple Pie, and when her luck seems suddenly to change for the better, she overcomes her fear of public speaking and enters the competition.
<i>Clayton Byrd Goes Underground</i>	Williams-Garcia, Rita	Historical Fiction - Clayton feels happiest when he can play his harmonica with his bluesman grandfather, Cool Papa Byrd. When tragedy strikes, Clayton must decide how to cope without the music in his life.
<i>Door By the Staircase, The</i>	Marsh, Katherine	Fantasy - Will bravery, kindness, and perceptiveness be enough to earn 12-year-old orphan Mary Hayes a permanent home with Madame Zolotaya, who may or may not have darker intentions?
<i>Dumpling Days</i>	Lin, Grace	Fiction - Pacy and her family go to Taiwan to celebrate Grandma's sixtieth birthday, and Pacy is excited when her parents sign her up for a Chinese painting class, but she cannot speak the language and struggles to make friends and understand the teacher's instructions.
<i>Frankie K. Stein (series)</i>	Benton, Jim	Fiction - Frankie is no ordinary scientist and in the midst of inventing things she ends up on all sorts of escapades.
<i>Frankie Pickle and the Closet of Doom (graphic novels)</i>	Wight, Eric	Fiction - Franklin Piccolini has a big imagination. His alter ego is Frankie Pickle who has all sorts of crazy adventures.
<i>Freedom over Me: Eleven Slaves, Their Lives and Dreams Brought to Life</i>	Bryan, Ashley	Historical Fiction - In the U.S., slaves were erroneously considered objects with a monetary value. Here, Bryan humanizes 11 enslaved people, imagining the dreams and personal reflections that belong only to them.
<i>Great Pet Escape (graphic novel)</i>	Jamieson, Victoria	Fiction - The class pets at Daisy P. Flugelhorn Elementary are on the loose! Second-grade classroom hamster GW has had enough and sets out to free his two best friends.
<i>Hamster Princess (series)</i>	Vernon, Ursula	Fiction - Princess Harriet Hamsterbone doesn't go looking for trouble. She prefers to think of it as looking for adventure.
<i>Hank Zipper (series)</i>	Winkler, Henry	Fiction - Hank is in 4th grade and school is tough. Buckle in for high-spirited adventures with Hank, who has learning disabilities.
<i>Home Court (series)</i>	Stoudemire, Amar'e	Sports Fiction - Between sports, school, and working for his father, eleven-year-old Amar'e's life is full and he is not yet ready to concentrate on basketball--but when a group of older boys start hogging the local basketball court he knows that he has to do something to help his friends.
<i>I Am Not a Number</i>	Dupuis, Jenny Kay and Kathy Kacer	Historical Fiction - Sent to a residential boarding school in Canada, Irene reminds herself that her family, language, and Anishinaabe culture are a source of great strength and pride.
<i>Joplin, Wishing</i>	Stanley, Diane	Fantasy - Stanley offers a magical tale of a lonely girl, that is an enticing blend of suspense, an ancient curse, kindness and forgiveness.
<i>The Last of the Really Great Whangdoodles</i>	Edwards, Julie	Fantasy - With help from an eccentric professor in giving their imaginations special intensive training, three children succeed in locating the last of the great Whangdoodles and granting his heart's desire.
<i>Lemonade War (series)</i>	Davies, Jacqueline	Fiction - When Evan & Jessie aren't fighting (they're siblings), they are solving mysteries and dealing with everyday life.
<i>Liberty Porter, the first daughter (series)</i>	DeViller, Julia	Fiction - On her first day at the White House, nine-year-old Liberty exuberantly explores her new home while making new friends and giving unique tours of her own.

<i>Matylda, Bright & Tender</i>	McGhee, Holly M.	Fiction - After losing her best friend, a little girl tries to hold on to his memory by transferring her affection to the pet lizard they shared.
<i>Max's Lucha Libre Adventures (graphic novel series)</i>	Garza, Xavier	Fiction - Max seems like any other nerdy kid until he's asked to join the Lucha Libre Club. The super-secret club admits only the offspring of wrestling royalty. And Max is a prince, descended through his mother from royal blood, his uncle the very king of lucha libre: The Guardian Angel.
<i>Midnight for Charlie Bone</i>	Nimmo, Jenny	Fantasy - Charlie Bone's life with his widowed mother and two grandmothers undergoes a dramatic change when he discovers that he can hear people in photographs talking.
<i>Nightlights (graphic novel)</i>	Alvarez, Julia	Fiction - When a young girl's imagination and creativity are co-opted by a mysterious new friend, she must find a way to regain what is rightfully hers.
<i>Nocturnals, The (Series)</i>	Hecht, Tracey	Fiction - Dawn, a fox, Tobin, a pangolin, and Bismark, a sugar glider solve unpredictable mysteries of the night.
<i>Out at Second & Other Stories</i>	Christopher, Matt	Sports Fiction - Matt Christopher writes fast-paced action packed sports books. Read any one of these.
<i>The Penderwicks (series)</i>	Birdsall, Jeanne	Fiction - The adventures of four sisters, their widowed father, and a beloved dog.
<i>Pilfer Academy</i>	Magaziner, Lauren	Fiction - Everything at Pilfer Academy is stolen. The furniture, the desks, books and even the students!
<i>Piper Reed, Navy Brat</i>	Holt, Kimberly Willis	Fiction - Piper is sad about leaving her home and friends behind when her father, a Navy aircraft mechanic, is transferred yet again.
<i>Secret Agent Jack Stalwart: The Escape of the Deadly Dinosaur (series)</i>	Hunt, Elizabeth Singer	Fiction - Jack is an ordinary kid who is a secret agent at night. His mission is to capture a dinosaur brought to life from its DNA.
<i>Shanghai sukkah</i>	Hyde, Heidi Smith	Picture Book - To escape the Nazis, a young Jewish boy named Marcus and his family move to Shanghai, where Marcus and his new friend Liang build a sukkah on the roof and together they celebrate Sukkot and the Chinese Moon Festival.
<i>Star Scouts (graphic novel)</i>	Lawrence, Mike	Fiction - An alien abduction goes a long way toward curing Avani's new-kid blues.
<i>Stef Soto, Taco Queen</i>	Torres, Jennifer	Realistic Fiction - Estefania "Stef" Soto is the daughter of hardworking, rule-abiding Mexican-American parents who own Tia Perla, their family food truck and creates both pride and embarrassment in Stef.
<i>Sunny Holiday (series)</i>	Paratore, Coleen	Fiction - Fourth-grader Sunny Holiday tries to make the best out of every situation, and even though her father is in prison, she and her mother count their blessings and manage to find joy in every day.
<i>Third Grade Angels</i>	Spinelli, Jerry	Sports Fiction - The third graders earn halos at school for being nice and kind, but "Suds" is finding it harder than he thought.
<i>Toothpaste Millionaire, The</i>	Merrill, Jean	Realistic Fiction - All it takes is creating and marketing a cheaper and better toothpaste.
<i>Two Naomis</i>	Rhoday-Perkovich, Olugbemisola and Audrey Vernick	Realistic Fiction - Two girls named Naomi build an unlikely friendship after their parents begin dating each other.
<i>When Mischief Came to Town</i>	Nannestad, Katrina	Realistic Fiction - Recently orphaned, Inge Maria goes to live with her grandmother. Through her wild and spirited ways, Inge soon endears herself to the villagers, bringing joy to all.
Classic Parent Read-Alouds		
<i>From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler</i>	Konigsburg, E.L.	Claudia and Jamie runaway to the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City.
<i>Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe, The</i>	Lewis, C.S	The first book published in the Narnia series. While The Magician's Nephew is labeled #1, read this story first.
<i>Trumpet of the Swan</i>	White, E.B.	A swan with a speech impediment acquires a stolen trumpet to use as his voice.
<i>Wizard of Oz, The</i>	Baum, Frank L.	In the book, Dorothy's visit to Oz is a gentler, more quirky story than in the movie.

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