



Hosanna Christian Academy students participate in a summer reading program. Summer reading is not optional, but rather necessary for our students to develop knowledge of a broad range of literature as well as increase their reading skills. This will greatly benefit them as they continue their studies.

Each student will read **TWO** books. Each student will choose one of the two books they read and complete a project on that book. For the other book, students must be prepared to give a book talk which includes a very short oral summary of the book, why they liked or didn't like the book, and to whom would they recommend the book. Project details following the lists below.

Students entering 4th GRADE

SUGGESTED SERIES	SUGGESTED SPECIFIC BOOKS
Magic Tree House series	Freckle Juice by Judy Blume
Bullseye Step Into Classics series	Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing by Judy Blume
The Little House on the Prairie series by Laura Ingalls Wilder	Beans on the Roof by Betsy Byars
Sports Stories by Matt Christopher	The Mouse and the Motorcycle by Beverly Cleary
American Girl series (various authors)	Maggie Maggie by Beverly Cleary
Magic School Bus by Joanna Cole	The Drinking Gourd by F.N. Mingo
Three Cousins Detective Club by Elspeth Murphy	Stone Fox by John R. Gardiner

Students entering 5th GRADE

SUGGESTED SERIES	SUGGESTED SPECIFIC BOOKS
American Girl series	The Borrowers by Mary Norton
Animal Ark series by Ben Baglio	Dear Mr. Henshaw by Beverly Cleary
Christian Heritage series by Nancy Rue	Katie John by Mary Calhoun
Cooper Kids Adventure by Frank Peretti	The Indian in the Cupboard by Lynne Reid Banks
The Little House series by Laura Ingalls Wilder	Sarah, Plain and Tall by Patricia MacLachlan
Mandie series by Lois Leppard	There's a Boy in the Girl's Bathroom by Louis Sachar
Trailblazer books by various authors	Lily's Crossing by Patricia Reilly Giff
Any books by Matt Christopher	The Bucks of Goober Holler by Gilbert Morris



PROJECT DETAILS

Project is to be completed on ONE book. For the OTHER book you read, be prepared to give a **book talk** which includes a very short oral summary of the book, why you liked or didn't like the book, and to whom you would recommend the book.

SELECT A PROJECT:

- Create a shadow box illustrating the book (use a shoe box turned on one side)
- Create an oversized book jacket (use a ½ poster board folded in half)
- Make a mobile
- Make a scrolling TV screen made from a cardboard box
- Make a collage of drawn or cut out pictures that illustrate things in the book. This can be done in any shape
- Create an advertisement poster promoting your book

PROJECT MUST INCLUDE ALL OF THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ON THE PROJECT.

- Title of book
- Author
- Main Character
- Short, short summary of story (no more than 5 sentences)
- Pictures or own drawings