

The Charleston Catholic School 2025 Summer Reading List Rising First Grade

Help expand your child's world through books this summer. Reading with your child will help give a good start for first grade and will help develop an appreciation for books. The public library is a wonderful source for stories and books that you can explore. There, you can also participate in a summer reading program. Experts recommend that parents read aloud to children, and as they grow, have your child read aloud to you and to each other. Daily reading, especially from a variety of materials, is a healthy habit for a lifetime. Children going into first grade can benefit from concept books that help identify colors, alphabet, counting, sequencing and feelings. Good beginning reading series includes the "Step into Reading" Step 1 books or "Rookie Readers" series.

Keep a record of what your child reads, or what you read together over the summer; turn in the record on the first day of school. Your library will have age specific suggestions for summer reading. Happy Reading!

The Runaway Bunny (Brown)
Clifford the Big Red Dog (Bridwell)
Freight Train (Crews)
Gilberto and the Wind (Ets)
Corduroy (Freeman)
Piggies (Wood)
Jesse Bear, What Will You Wear (Carlstorm)
Half a Moon and One Whole Star (Dragonwagon)
Look I Can Read (Hood)

The Gingerbread Boy (Galdone)
Whistle for Willie (Keats)
The Wheels on the Bus (Kovalski)
The Giant Jam Sandwich (Lord)
The Foot Book (Seuss)
Ira Sleeps Over (Waber)
The Plant Sitter (Zion)

Concept Books

Color: Little Blue and Little Yellow (Lionni) Color Zoo (Ehlert)
Alphabet: 26 Letters and 99 Cents (Hoban) Alison's Zinnia (Lobel)
The Disappearing Alphabet (Wilbur) Alphabet Mystery

(Wood)

Chicka Chicka Boom Boom (Ehlert)

Counting: One Snail and Me (McLeod)

Sequence: One Monday Morning (Shulevitz)

Feelings: Leo the Late Bloomer (Kraus)
On Mother's Lap (Scott)

Ten Black Dots (Crews)

Rosie's Walk (Hutchins)

Something Special (McPhail)

Mean Soup (Everitt)