



**Saint Bridget School  
2022**

Dear Rising Kindergarten Students,

We are so excited to meet you in August and know we will share many wonderful books together. We hope you enjoy your summer and would like to share some of our favorite children's books and authors with you. We can't wait to find out which book was your favorite!

In the book, Reading Magic, children's author Mem Fox shares, "Reading is magical because it brings parents and children together for fun, bonding and giggles. It also helps promote a child's brain, social, and language development. Reading aloud to young children, before they reach school age, is especially important to foster a love of books and reading. Children need to hear a thousand stories before they can begin to learn to read."

This summer, your focus should be to read 15-20 minutes daily and to enjoy as many books as you can! We encourage everyone to look into summer book clubs at your local library or bookstore.

We are so excited to meet you in a few weeks!

Sincerely,

The Kindergarten Teachers

# Rising Kindergarten Suggested Summer Reading

The following books are suggestions for some great summer reading. This list has been compiled from several sources such as the American Library Association, Newberry and Caldecott winner and honors lists, and state award winners. The books on this list are not required nor is this an all inclusive list. Parents are encouraged to help students make the best choice for the student.

## **Books about Me**

*I like Me!* by Nancy L. Carlson  
*I Like to Be Little* by Charlotte Zolotow  
*The Mixed-Up Chameleon* by Eric Carle  
*When I Get Bigger* by Mercer Meyer

## **Predictable Books**

*(Stories with a pattern using rhyme or rhythm.)*  
*Curious George* by H.A. Rey  
*Each Peach Pear Plum* by Janet and Allan Ahlberg  
*The Gingerbread Boy* by Paul Galdone  
*What's in Fox's Sack?* by Paul Galdone

## **2022 Caldecott Winner and Honor Books**

*We are Water Protectors* by Carole Lindstrom  
*The Cat Man of Aleppo* by Irene Latham  
*Place Inside of Me* by Zetta Elliot  
*Outside In* by Deobrah Underwood  
*Me and Mama* by Cozbi Cabrera

## **Nonfiction Books**

*The Crayon Man* by Natascha Biebow  
*Hidden Critters Can you Find them All?* By Stan Tekiela  
*Fungus is Among Us!* by Joy Keller  
*Each Orange Had Eight Slices: A Counting Book* by Paul Giganti Jr.

## **Kindness**

*Princess Truly # 4 I am a Good Friend* by Amaria Rauscher  
*All Are Welcome* by Alexander Penford  
*Tomorrow I Will Be Kind* by Jessica Hische

## **Favorite Series**

I Can Read level 1  
Step Into Reading Level 1  
Berenstain Bears  
There Was an Old Lady  
Eyewitness Junior