

# Good Reads List

At Gillingham, students read, read and read to experience some of the best books the world has to offer.

**Gillingham's "Good Reads" List** and **Gillingham's Classroom Libraries** are developed by the Charlotte Mason Institute (CMI) community, and we take recommendations from all members of our Gillingham community.

## RESEARCH

Studies show that students need to read at least 2 hours a day to move up a grade level in reading in a year. Thus, we require nightly reading as non-traditional homework.

#### **READING EXPECTATIONS:**

## 1. INDEPENDENT READING LEVELS

Most students read books on their independent reading levels, which are determined by classroom teachers.

## 2. GOOD READS LIST & CLASSROOM LIBRARIES

Students read books on their reading level from our classroom libraries or from the Good Reads List.

#### a. SILENT READING AT SCHOOL

When students finish their work early or before class or at assigned times, they will read books on their reading level from our classroom libraries or from the Good Reads List.

## b. NIGHTLY READING AT HOME

#### a. TIME REQUIREMENTS:

K-2<sup>nd</sup> graders are read to or read independently for 20 minutes
3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> graders read independently for at least 20 minutes
5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders read independently for at least 30 minutes
9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> students read independently for 45 or more minutes

b. Sometimes teachers assign books from class to be read, and these assignments meet the Nightly Reading Requirement.



# CHARACTERISTICS OF OUR "GOOD READS" BOOKS

- **LIVING BOOKS**....They are full of great ideas, excellent vocabulary, and wonderful stories to ignite the imagination. They are magnanimous, calling us to higher living!
- HISTORY CORRELATION...We are working to correlate with each year's history. If a grade is learning about the Middle Ages, some books listed for that grade are set in the middle ages.
- **UNABRIDGED**....Students read the UNABRIDGED version of these titles.
- **CLASSROOM LIBRARIES**...Most of the books are currently available in the classroom libraries, to which we are always adding. Books on our shelves are stamped with our name. AND....Donations are accepted with a smile!
- **INDEPENDENT READING LEVELS**...Most books on our shelves are marked with colored stickers and numbers to denote reading level.
- **CHOICE**....Students also need to read books that interest them so that they will read, read and read. They might choose a book not on their levels if they are motivated to read them.

## **BOOK REVIEWERS**

Parents, teachers and students in 5<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade may apply to become book reviewers who read books to determine if they should be on this list. Forms are in the foyer.

# **RECENT ADDITIONS RECOMMENDED BY BOOK REVIEWERS in 2017:**

The Stormlight Archives by Brandon Sanderson (fantasy/sci fi) Any Book by Brandon Sanderson (fantasy/sci fi) -- Fablehaven by Brandon Mull (fantasy/adventure) by Sir Terry Pratchett *Sourcery* (&"Disc World Series") (fantasy/scifi) ANY book by Sir Terry Pratchett The Lemonade Crush by Tom Hafer (starting a business) Stay Where You Are & Then Leave by John Boyne (WWI Historical Fiction)



## K, Years One & Two

Winnie the Pooh series by AA Milne and Ernest H. Beatrix Potter series The Story of Little Babaji by Helen Bannerman classic stories and folktales such as The Little Red Hen, The Gingerbread Man, Goldilocks and the Three Bears, The Three Billy Goats Gruff; Wright Mama Goose, a collection by Edelen Wille, or versions such as those by Rojankovsky, Marguerite De Angeli or Tasha Tudor, or Lavender's Blue, a collection of nursery rhymes compiled by Kathleen Lines, illustrated by Harold Iones Illustrated classic poetry such as Poems for Young Children compiled by Caroline Royds; Play With Me Marie Hall Ets, Goodnight Moon, A Hole is to Dig, Alexander & the Terrible Horrible No Good Very Bad Day Tchaikovsky Discovers America Whittington's Cat The Pobble Who Has No Toes by Norman Lear Grimm fairy tales Where the Wild Things Are Hiawatha by Longfellow, illustrated by Susan Jeffers My Shadow Robert Louis Stevenson, illustrator Rand The Tale of Three Trees illustrator Angela Elwell Hunt Catch Me and Kiss Me and Say It Again Watson (nursery rhymes) Each Peach Pear Plum & others by the Ahlbergs Amie and Anika Stafford On Market Street Lobel Flossie and the Fox by Patricia McKissack The King with Six Friends by Jay Williams Miss Suzy by Miriam Young What Do You Do, Dear, and What Do You Say, Dear by Sesyle Joslin Rose in My Garden Lobel Ivy Cottage and sequels by E. J. Taylor The Princess and the Admiral by Charlotte Pomerantz The Story of Holly and Ivy and others by Rumer Godden The Hundred Dresses by Eleanor Estes The Plain Princess by Phyllis McGinley Two by Two by Barbara Reid Miss Spider's Tea Party Kirk How to Make an Apple Pie and See the World by Marjorie Priceman Down, Down the Mountain by Ellis Credle All the Places To Love by Patricia MacLachlan Sophie & Rose by Kathryn Lasky

Jan Brett books, particularly The Mitten, The Hat, and The Gingerbread Boy The Three Little Kittens illustrated by Paul Galdone The Poky Little Puppy by Gustaf Tenggren Jesse Bear What Will You Wear? Carlstrom Millions of Cats Wanda Gag Andy and the Lion Daugherty Caps for Sale Slobodkina The Biggest Bear Lynd Ward Scuffy the Tugboat Seven Little Rabbits Becker Little Pear, Little Pear and His Friends, Little Pear and the Rabbits Lattimore Living Sunlight by Molly Bang A Chick Hatches Joanna Cole Box Turtle at Long Pond by William T. George Backyard Birds of Summer by Carol Lerner A Butterfly is Patient by Dianna Hutts Aston Jack's Garden by Henry Cole Butterfly House Eve Bunting An Egg is Quiet by Dianna Hutts, Aston and Sylvia Long A Seed is Sleepy by Dianna Hutts Aston and Sylvia Long If You Should Hear a Honey Guide by April Pulley Sayre Crocodile Listens by April Pulley Sayre Curious Minds: How a Child Becomes a Scientist edited by John Brockman Vulture View by Sayre Stars Beneath Your Bed Sayre Very Hungry Caterpillar Carle Flash, The Life Story of a Firefly Harris Miss Rumphius Dig Wait Listen: a Desert Toad's Tale by April Pulley Sayre The Bumblebee Queen by April Pulley Sayre My Indoor Garden Lerner My Backyard Garden Lerner The Bee Tree by Stephen Buchmann, Diana Cohn, Secret Place by Eve Bunting 4 by Richard E. Albert Beyond Birding – Field Projects for Inquisitive Birders by Thomas Grubb Jr. Home at Last: A Song of Migration Sayre

## Year One

Beatrix Potter Books Jean Fritz Books The Red, Yellow and Blue Fairy Books by Andrew Lang *Peter's Chair* & other books by Ezra Jack Keats James Herriott's *Treasury for Children* 



Buffalo Bill by Ingri D'Aulaire Viking Tales by Hall The Beast of Lor by Bulla The Man who Loved Books by Fritz One Grain of Rice Abe Lincoln Gets His Chance Pecos Bill by Kellogg Biography of a Giant Panda A Million Fish...More or Less Song of the Swallows Three Stalks of Corn More Homer Price Burt Dow Deep Water Man Lentil Blueberry Sal Time of Wonder One Morning in Maine Make Way for Ducklings The Little Island Bright Snow, White Snow Maybelle, The Cable Car The Biggest Bear Lon Po Po: A Red-Riding Story from China Wynken, Blynken and Nod illustrators Jeffers or Barbara Cooney Frog and Toad readers Lobel Little Bear readers George and Martha series Frances books Hoban Henry & Mudge series Rylant The Story About Ping Flack The Little Engine that Could by Watty Piper Ferdinand by Munro Leaf Stone Soup and folk tale retellings by Marcia Brown the real Curious George by H.A. Rey Hillaire Beloc poems Pelle's New Suit Beskow A Kiss for Little Bear Minarik Laurie and the Yellow Curtains I Love You the Purplest by Barbara M. Joosse Fireflies for Nathan by Shulamith Levey Oppenheim The Rainbabies Melmed Miss Fannie's Hat Jan Karon Angus series Marjorie Flack Books by Tomie dePaola Outside Over There by Maurice Sendak Year at Maple Hill Farm Alice & Martin Provensen books The Relatives Came Rylant Babar books (the originals by Laurent De Brunhoff) Come On, Rain

Three Stalks of Corn The Twins and Tabiffa Jump series by Van Dyke Parks, Malcolm Jones (adaptations of Brer Rabbit)

#### Year Two

Corduroy Freeman Tree in the Trail Five Little Peppers and How They Grew Margaret Sidney Hans Christian Anderson tales Drylongso Pied Piper of Hamlin by Robert Browning Five Children and It Nesbit Little House series by Laura Ingalls Wilder Billy and Blaze series by C. W. Anderson Flicka Ricka and Dicka series Snip Snap and Snur series Nim's Island Frog and Toad Together Mr. George Baker Come On, Rain Castles by Jeunesse, Delafosse, & Millett The Apple and the Arrow Buff Herriott's Treasury for Children The Story of Doctor Dolittle series by Hugh Lofting Mary Poppins by P.L. Travers Brighty of the Grand Canyon by Marguerite Henry Mr. Popper's Penguins by Richard Atwater Chanticleer and the Fox by Barbara Cooney Along Came A Dog De Jong Tar Beach Squanto & the Pilgrims Bulla The Double Life of Pocahontas by Jean Fritz Pocahontas and the Strangers by Clyde Robert Bulla



# Year Three

"Newberry Award" Winners King of the Golden River by John Ruskin The Red, Yellow and Blue Fairy Books by Andrew Lang The Beast of Lor by Bulla The Man who Loved Books by Fritz Brendan the Navigator by Fritz Viking Adventure by Bulla Croco'nile The Egyptian Cinderella Five Little Peppers and How They Grew Sidney Little House in the Big Woods The Bears of Blue River by Charles Major Swallows and Amazons by Arthur Ransome Caddie Woodlawn by Carol Ryrie Brink The Little White Horse by Elizabeth Goudge The Saturdays by Elizabeth Enright Elizabeth Enright books The Four Story Mistake Cue for Treason Around the World in a Hundred Years by Jean Fritz, Call It Courage A Day in the Night of the Arctic by Mary Adrian Esperanza Rising Swallows and Amazons by Arthur Ransome The Moffats series *Tapicero Tap Tap* by Aska Ginger Pye series Pippy Longstocking books by Lindgren/Chesworth James Herriott's Treasury for Children

## Year Four

"Newberry Award" Winners Harry Potter Series Riordan's Percy Jackson Books Matt Christopher's sports books Jean Fritz Books Jacques' Redwall Series English Fairy Tales Jacobs Viking Tales by Hall Black Beauty by Anna Sewell Pollyanna by Eleanor Porter The Secret Garden by Frances Hodgson Burnett The Railway Children Nesbit Bambi by Felix Salten Little Britches series Moody The Borrowers Norton Lassie Come Home Knight The Peterkin Papers Hale

Calico Captive The Sign of the Beaver Speare Tree of Freedom Caudill Justin Morgan had a Horse by Marguerite Henry The Moffets series The Cricket in Time Square The Tough Winter Julie of the Wolves Shiloh The Mystery of the Cupboard Island of the Blue Dolphins The Trumpet of the Swan The Wonderful Wizard of Oz The Adventures of Pippy Longstocking series Pedro, the Angel Olvera Street by Politi Little Lord Fauntleroy Black Beauty, The Underneath Bud, Not Buddy Because of Winn-Dixie The Cabin Faced West Fritz Calico Bush by Rachel Field Children of the New Forest by Frederick Marryat Half Magic & others by Edward Eager The Enchanted Castle and The Railway Children by E. Nesbit Ginger Pye books Pippy Longstocking books by Lindgren/Chesworth James Herriott's Treasury for Children The Door in the Wall De Angeli Thor Heyerdahl, Viking Scientist Wyatt Blassingame Otto of the Silver Hand Pyle Bard of Avon: The Story of William Shakespeare by Vennema & Stanley Good Queen Bess Stanley The Prince and the Pauper Twain I, Columbus, My Journal Roop The Whipping Boy Men of Iron A Little Princess Burnett The Water Babies Kingsley At the Back of the North Wind by George MacDonald The Tale of Despereaux and others by Edward Eager St. George and the Dragon by Margaret Hodges

# Year Five

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Jacques' Redwall Series Lloyd Alexander Books Squanto by Feenie Ziner Five Little Peppers and How They Grew Sidney Tree of Freedom Caudill The Reb and the Redcoats by Constance Savery Captains Courageous and Puck of Pook's Hill Kipling The Adventures of Tom Sawyer by Mark Twain The Wind in the Willows Missing May Treasure Island by Stevenson Lad: A Dog (or another book in the Lad series) by Albert Payson Terhune The Treasure Seekers Nesbit The Wouldbegoods Nesbit Anne of Green Gables by Lucy Maud Montgomery Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm by Kate Douglas Wiggin Hans Brinker Dodge In Their Own Words: Sojourner Truth Roop Black Cowboy and Wild Horses by Julius Lester Nettie's Trip South Book of Cowboys by Holling Underground to Canada by Barbara Smucker Lewis and Clark Duncan/Burns Jason's Gold Poor Richard by Daugherty Two Years Before the Mast The Bears of Blue River Roughing It in the Bush by Moodie Life in the Clearings The Little White Horse Chains Roller Skates You Want Women to Vote, Lizzie Stanton? Fritz Daughter of the Mountain Miss Hickory Dr. Doolittle books The Strawberry Girl Caddie Woodlawn Thimble Summer Across Five Aprils The Incredible Journey Anna and the King of Siam A Gathering of Days The Red Wall Series Julie of the Wolves The Great Gillian Hopkins My Brother Sam is Dead The Slave Dancer A Young Patriot: The American Revolution as Experienced by 1 Boy

The Land by Taylor Tom Cringle Elijah of Buxton The Wizard of Oz Baum The Bears on Hemlock Mountain The Courage of Sarah Noble Dagliesh The Witch of Blackbird Pond Spear Landing of the Pilgrim and Daniel Boone by Daugherty The Little Maid of Connecticut OR Little Maid of...(9 books in the series) The Matchlock Gun Alice's Adventures in Wonderland and Through the Looking Glass Lewis Carroll

## Year Six

Harry Potter Series Rick Riordan's Percy Jackson Series Matt Christopher's sports Jean Fritz Books Jacques' Redwall Series "Newberry Award" Winners Lloyd Alexander Books King of the Wind Henry The Chronicles of Narnia Goodbye Mr. Chips Hilton Out of the Dust Hesse The Story of My Life Keller Ordinary Genius McPherson Where the Red Fern Grows by Wilson Rawls The Endless Steppe: Growing Up in Siberia Hautzig Winged Watchman by Hilda Van Stockum Blue Willow by Doris Gates Miracles on Maple Hill by Virginia Sorensen Letters from Rifka Hesse The Von Trapp Family Singers by Maria Von Trapp Snow Treasure McSwigan Number the Stars Lowry The Ark Rob Roy by Sir Walter Scott Little Men, Jack and Jill Alcott Call of the Wild London A Little Brother to the Bear Long Nikki Giovanni's poetry Four Perfect Pebbles The Giver Sunshine Flying to the Moon: an Astronaut's Story Escape from Warsaw When Hitler Stole Pink Rabbit



Little Britches Series Ann of Green Gables & Rilla of Ingleside series Montgomery Lily's Crossing Kira Kira ; 1984 The Philadelphia Adventure Stalin and Hitler by Marrin Wild Children Holman Night Journey Lasky The Song of Trees by Mildred Taylor and other Taylor books Twenty and Ten Bishop Night Crossing by Ackerman The House of Sixty Fathers Samurai of Gold Hill by Wright War of the Worlds Penny from Heaven Sometimes Charlotte Farmer All of a Kind Family Taylor The Perlous Gard Pope The Red Wall Series The Iron Ring The Sign of the Beaver A Swiftly Tilting Planet A Wind in the Door Many Waters The Arm of the Starfish The Mighty; Sounder The Westing Game Walk Two Moons Kidnapped Her Stories: African American Folktales, Fairytales, and True Tales Hamilton Alice in Wonderland White Fang The Incredible Journey The Lemonade Crush Tom Hafer

## Years Seven & Eight

JRR Tolkien Books C.S. Lewis Books Harry Potter Series Rick Riordan's Percy Jackson Series Matt Christopher's sports Jean Fritz Books Jacques' *Redwall* Series "Newberry Award" Winners Lloyd Alexander Books Lord of the Rings Trilogy *The Book Thief* Zusak *The Black Cauldron* & others in Lloyd Alexander series *Tales of Troy* by Andrew Lang

Masada and Shadow Hawk Ides of April & Frontier Wolf The White Stag Seredy The Golden Goblet Majesty Queen Hatshepsut Cat of Bubastes 7 Wonders of the Ancient World; Beric the Briton Young Carthaginian Beyond the Desert Gate Eagle of the Ninth Seven Wonders of the Ancient World by Curlee The Ides of April by Ray A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court by Twain The Knight's Fee by Sutcliff The Gammage Cup Kendall The Lost Prince by Burnett The White Company by Doyle (prequel Sir Nigel) The High King The Grey King When Knighthood Was in Flower by Charles Major The Iron Ring The Sign of the Beaver A Swiftly Tilting Planet A Wind in the Door Many Waters The Arm of the Starfish The Mighty Walk Two Moons Kidnapped Sherlock Holmes Doyle Great Expectations Good Masters! Sweet Ladies! Voices from a Medieval Village by Laura Amy Schlitz Hattie Big Sky Twenty Thousand Leagues under the Sea by Jules Verne The Cricket on the Hearth Little Women series Adventures of Tom Sawyer Sounder and White Fang The Chronicles of Narnia Alice in Wonderland The Incredible Journey Around the World in Eighty Days and Journey to the Center of the Earth by Verne The Legend of Sleepy Hollow The Last of the Mohicans Tarzan of the Apes The Jungle Book Arabian Nights



# Upper School

JRR Tolkien Books C.S. Lewis Books Harry Potter Series Rick Riordan's Percy Jackson Narrative of Sojourner Truth Charles Dickens' books *Jane Eyre* and Bronte books The Hawk that Dare Not Hunt by Day by O'Dell Pioneers of the Old South: A Chronicle of English Colonial Beginnings Johnston The History of King Charles II of England by Jacob Abbott Marie Chapdelaine Hemon Marie Antoinette and Her Son by Louise 1776 by McCullough Horatio Hornblower series Freedom's Child by McCray John Adams by McCullough War and Peace Tolstoy Founding Father Washington: The Indispensible Man by James Thomas Flexner Killer Angels How Green Was My Valley The Good Earth Who Killed Canadian History? J.L. Granatstein 1998 essay The Americanization of Edward Bok Cry the Beloved Country Why We Can't Wait Dr. King All Too Human Stephanopolis Ronald Reagan by D' Souza The Spirit of St. Louis Lindburgh The Color of Water Angela's Ashes The Number One Ladies Detective Agency Smith Same Kind of Different as Me by Hall and Moore Coming of Age in Mississippi Up from Slavery Washington Path between the Seas and *Great Bridge* by McCullough Sense and Sensibility, Emma, and others by Jane Austen Tess of the D'Ubervilles The Woman in White The Crucible; Moby Dick Anna Karenina Tolstoy The Last of the Mohicans An American Plague: The True and Terrifying Story of the Yellow Fever Epidemic of 1793 Walden by Thoreau

Lao Tsu-Tao Te Ching The Red Badge of Courage Great Expectations The Last of the Mohicans Catch 22 The War of the Worlds Wells 1984 by Orwell Orwell's Science Fiction Books The Invisible Man; Frankenstein The Strange Adventures of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde The Time Machine by Wells I, Robot by Asimov North and South by Gaskell Pygmalion by Shaw The Picture of Dorian Gray Gulliver's Travels The Count of Monte Cristo The Three Musketeers The Giver by Lowry The Grapes of Wrath Marley & Me Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy The Stormlight Archives Books by Brandon Sanderson Books by Sir Terry Pratchett Sourcery and the Disc World Series Terry Pratchett Stay Where You Are and then Leave John Boyne