

St. Matthew's Summer Reading List 7th & 8th Grade

Entering Grade 7 -Suggested reading only and not mandatory

- Armstrong, William H. *Souder*
- Boyne, John: *The Boy in the Striped Pajamas*
- Burnett, Frances H. *The Secret Garden*
- DiTerlizzi, Toni: *The Spiderwick Chronicles*
- Duprau, Jeanne: *City of Ember*
- Funke, Cornelia: *Inkheart*
- Gaiman, Neil: *Coraline*
- Gaiman, Neil: *Fortunately, the Milk*
- M.H. Herlong: *The Great Wide Sea*
- London, Jack: *White Fang*
- Lowry, Lois: *Number the Stars*
- Morpurgo, Michael: *War Horse*
- O'Brien, Robert C.: *Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH*
- Paulsen, Gary: *Hatchet*
- Spinelli, Jerry: *Maniac Magee*



Entering Grade 8

***Assignment: Compose a typed one-page synopsis of *The Outsiders*. This is due within the first week of school. ***If you are brand new to SMS and don't have time for this synopsis, it is okay. Just do what you can.

- Card, Orson Scott: *Ender's Game*
- Clement-Davies, David: *Firebringer*
- Clement-Davies, David: *The Telling Pool*
- Hillenbrand, Laura: *Unbroken* (YA version or regular version)
- **Hinton, S. E.: *The Outsiders* (mandatory summer reading)**
- Lee, Harper: *To Kill a Mockingbird*
- Leyson, Leon: *The Boy on the Wooden Box*
- Martel, Yann: *Life of Pi*
- Morpurgo, Michael: *Private Peaceful*
- Richter, Hans Peter: *Friedrich*
- Wiesel, Elie: *Night*
- Steinbeck, John: *The Pearl*