

Saint John the Beloved Academy

SUMMER READING FOR RISING 1ST GRADERS 2023



GREETINGS, PARENTS AND STUDENTS

Dear Parents,

The books, stories and poems have been carefully selected to foster an enjoyable and thoughtful reading experience. Enjoy this special time with your child. These assignments are meant to be enriching and meaningful.



Be sure to balance the assignments with lots of fun, enjoyable time outside with family and friends.

Best to you and your family,

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CORE ELEMENTS OF SUMMER READING FOR RISING FIRST GRADE

Readings

- From the reading list below, choose 5 books to be read silently or aloud with parents.
Parents may choose to read some of the books to their child--at the parent's discretion.

Quiet - Tomie dePaola

Book of Bible Stories - Tomie dePaola

Patrick, Patron Saint of Ireland - Tomie dePaola

The Good Samaritan - Tomie dePaola

The Parables of Jesus - Tomie dePaola

My First Easter - Tomie dePaola

The Legend of the Poinsettia - Tomie dePaola

Mary, the Mother of Jesus - Tomie dePaola

Stone Soup - Marcia Brown

Beatrice's Goat - Page McBrier

The Picnic - Ruth Brown

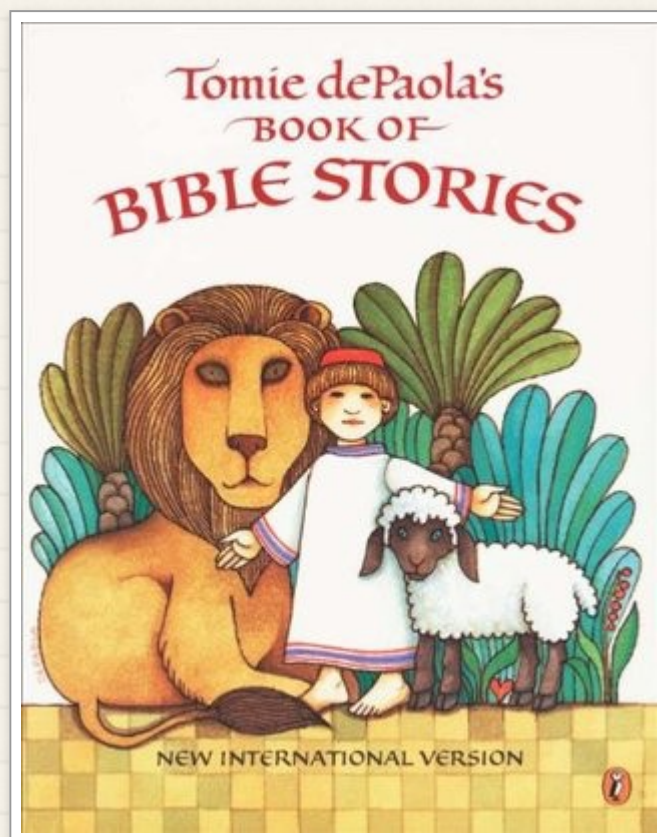
The Quiltmaker's Gift - Jeff Brumbeau

Flower Garden - Eve Bunting

A House for Hermit Crab - Eric Carle

The Cat in the Hat - Dr. Seuss

Green Eggs and Ham - Dr. Seuss
Too Much Noise - Ann McGovern
Snowmen at Night - Caralyn Buehner
The Very Hungry Caterpillar - Eric Carle
Diary of a Worm - Doreen Cronin
Is Your Mama a Llama? - Deborah Guano
Child's Book of Prayers - Michael Hague
Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See? - Bill Martin
Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus - Mo Willem
A Walk Through Our Church - Gertrud Mueller Nelson
Where Does God Live? - Holly Bea
Corduroy - Don Freeman
The Lord's Prayer - Lois Rock
Giraffes Can't Dance - Giles Andreae
The Lion and the Mouse - Gail Herman
Love You Forever - Robert Munsch
Make Way for the Ducklings - Robert McCloskey
I Like Bugs - Margaret Wise Brown



Poems

- Read all three poems aloud.
- Memorize at least one, reciting it at home (at the dinner table or some other spontaneous moment). This will also be recited at school.

"Now We Are Six" by A.A. Milne

"Rain" by Robert Louis Stevenson

"Fog" by Carl Sandburg

Aesop's Fables

- Choose two Aesop's Fables to read.

The Fox and the Grapes

The Goose that Laid the Golden Eggs

The Mice in Council

The Lion and the Mouse

The North Wind and the Sun

The Wolf in Sheep's Clothing

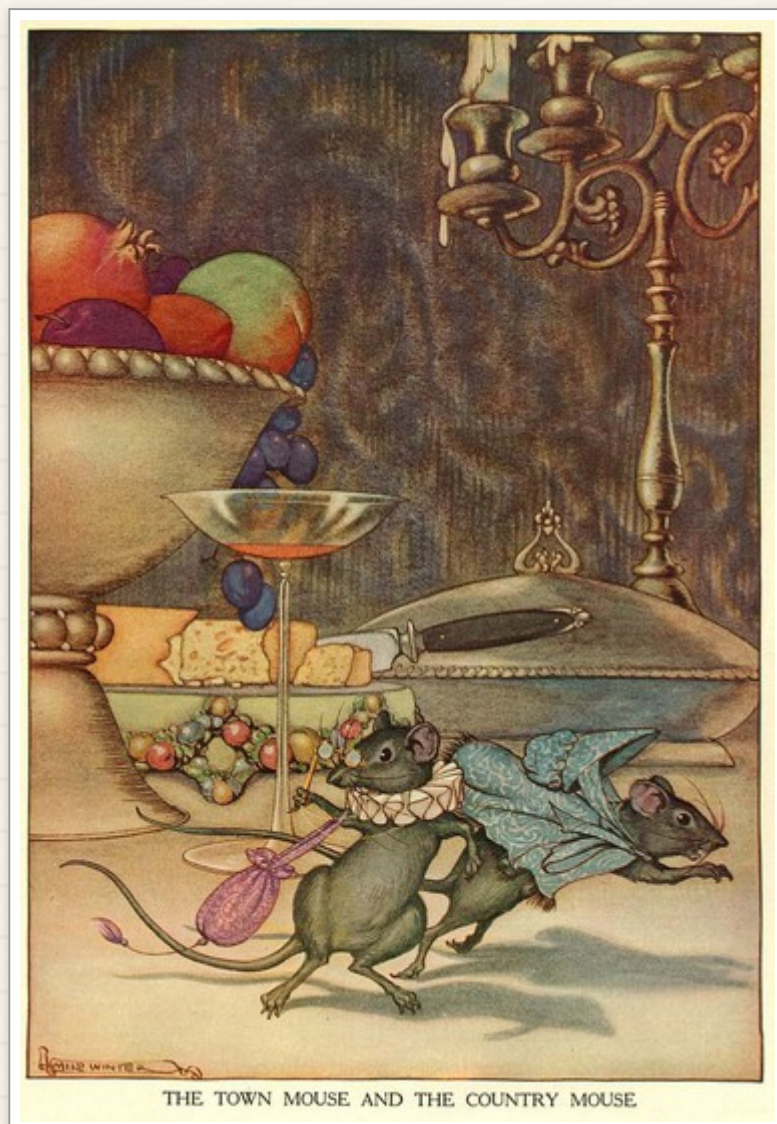
Boy and the Wolf

The Hare and the Tortoise

The Town Mouse and the Country Mouse

The Grasshopper and the Ants

We also recommend that you read (or retell) folktales to your child, such as *Rumpelstiltskin* by the Brothers Grimm and *The Ugly Duckling* by Hans Christian Andersen.



"IT IS WONDERFUL WHAT YOU CAN DO WHEN YOU HAVE
TO." C.S. LEWIS

House of Alpha



Love

House of Blue



Contemplation

House of Eagle

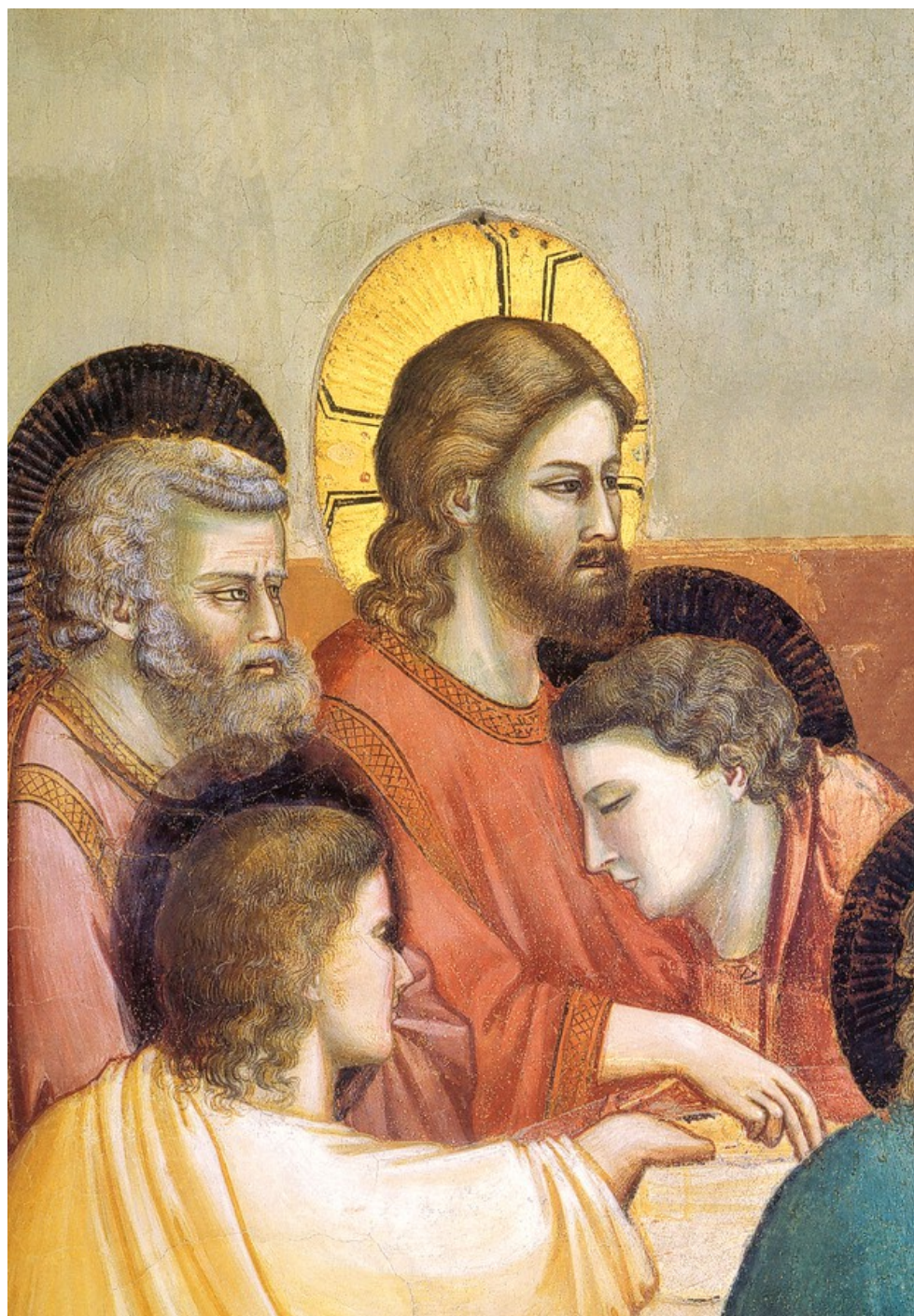


Inspiration

House of Omega



Wisdom



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