

# Year 6-7 Transition Summer Reading Challenge



that anyone can have."

-Lloyd Alexander

## Hello Year 6!

Hello,

We are extremely excited to be welcoming you to St. George as one of our Year 7s soon!

At St. George, we encourage students to read for at least an hour a week at home to help improve your reading skills and this Reading Challenge will be an introduction to life at St. George.

The Reading Challenge in this booklet is for you to have a go at over the summer to help you with your transition to St. George. It gives you suggestions of which books to read and has a point system for each of the challenges and examples of how to evidence them. When you arrive at St. George, you can bring in your evidence and there will be recognition for completing the challenges.

You may even find the books you have read are a talking point for when you start to help you make new friends!

So take up the challenge and we look forwards to seeing you soon at St. George

Miss Barron Literacy Coordinator

# The Reading Challenge:

To encourage frequent reading, we are setting some challenges for our students, with awards for those who do well.

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#### 2 Point Challenges:

- Read a book someone else has recommended
- Recommend a book that someone else then reads
- Discuss a book with someone else who has read it
- Read a book to someone else (e.g. brother or sister)
- Write a book review/ critique

### 3 Point Challenges:

- Learn a favourite poem by heart
- Read a sequel to a book you've already read
- Read a book from the Key Authors list
- Read a book and watch the film that goes with it

#### 5 Point Challenges:

- Read a book from the Top 10 booklist
- Read your parent's favourite childhood book

#### 10 Point Challenge:

• Read a book from the Classics list

You can show that you have completed these challenges by completing any of the activities on the next page. Or you could be creative and come up with your own ways (a drama piece, a freeze frame etc.)!

### Evidence:

Below are some ways that you could evidence the reading that you do over the summer. If you find another way and want to evidence it that way, you can! You could film a Book Review, create a drama piece, a tableau, a radio interview, a poster – be as creative as you can be.

You can bring in the evidence when you come to school and there will be prizes and rewards for the challenges you have completed.

Summarise the story in 50 words	Write a review of the book	Draw a picture of an event in the story you enjoyed	Re-write the ending of the story
Re-write and decorate a poem you enjoyed	Write a postcard from a character in the book to a friend	Write the first chapter of the sequel to the book	Re-write an event in the book, changing it from positive to negative or vice versa
Write a diary entry from the point of view of one of the characters	Re-design the book's front cover	Write a poem inspired by a book you have read	Storyboard and event in the story you found interesting
Write an event in the story as a play script	Create a poster on the famous person you have read about	Write a recommendation to a friend	Write a letter to the author of the book telling them what you enjoyed

# Top 10 Reading:



A Series of Unfortunate Events By Lemony Snicket

Artemis Fowl By Eoin Colfer





The Borrowers By Mary Norton

The Young Sherlock By Andrew Lane



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**Carrie's War** By Nina Bawden

> Charlotte's Web By E. B. White



**Clockwork** By Philip Pullman

> **Cosmic** By Frank Cottrell Boyce



The Daydreamer By Ian McEwan

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### **Recommendations:**



**Goodnight Mister Tom** By Michelle Magorian

How to Train Your Dragon By Cressida Cowell



**The Hunger Games** By Suzanne Collins







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Matilda By Roald Dahl

> **Private Peaceful** By Michael Morpurgo



The Sheep-Pig By Dick King-Smith

> **Skelling** By David Almond





**Stormbreaker** By Anthony Horowitz

**There's a Boy in the Girls' Bathroom** By Louis Sachar



## **Classics:**

Why not try something different and go for one of these older 'classic' texts? Or one of the recommended authors below?

### Alice pronderland tenis Ear

Alice's Adventures in Wonderland

By Lewis Caroll

A Christmas Carol By Charles Dickens





**The Hobbit** By J. R. R. Tokien

I Capture the Castle By Dodie Smith





Just William By Richmal Crompton

> Mary Poppins By Pamela L. Travers



**Peter Pan** By J. M. Barrie

> **Treasure Island** By Robert Louis Stevenson



## Authors:

- Malorie Blackman
- Judy Blume
- Roald Dahl
- Anne Fine
- Nigel Hinton

- Anthony Horowitz
- Michael Morpurgo
- Robert Swindells
- Robert Westall
- Jacqueline Wilson

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## Good Reading:

Fiction books aren't the only sort of reading material that will help you improve your reading ability. Reading these will help:



Newspapers

You could read the whole newspaper or pick articles about topics that interest you – think about the sport section.



Websites

You could read news

websites like BBC

News, Newsround or

online newspapers. Or

you could research

topics you are

interested in.



**Non-fiction** 

You could read autobiographies/biographies of people who inspire you, instructional books that help you develop skills (like sport) or informative books with facts.



**Magazines** 

You could read a magazine about a topic you are interested in or would like to know more about.



**Graphic Novels** 

You could read a graphic novel which combines writing with pictures.



Audio books

You could listen to an audio book (youtube and audible have some free books). You could listen whilst reading the book or on its own.

