

GENEVA SCHOOL of BOERNE 2025 SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

"Reading should not be presented to children as a chore or duty. It should be offered to them as a precious gift." Kate DiCamillo

Our goal is to develop proficient readers who desire a vibrant reading life. Reading well requires time, experience, and diligence. It is important to provide leisure time for children to be inspired to read during the summer. Invest in this challenge and saturate your home with books that are true, noble, right, pure, lovely, admirable, excellent, and praiseworthy (Philippians 4:8).

The purpose of summer reading is to continue exposing students, outside of school, to the classics - books that have stood the test of time. Students should read as many classic books as possible because they are (1) excellent in content and (2) the best tools for cultivating your child's moral imagination. The Reading Lists and Reading Log are posted on our school website. A sample of the reading log is below.

READING LIST:

Books have been chosen with the hope that students will cultivate a delight in reading and the written word. Read books from the incoming Third, Fourth, or Fifth Grade lists. Only books read from these lists will count. After reaching silver medal level (750 pages), students may read *any* book of their choice.

WHERE TO FIND BOOKS:

Geneva School Library, Boerne Public Library, The Bookshop Under the Windmill, The Boerne Bookshop, Storyglory Kids (<u>www.storyglorykids.com/gsbsummer</u> Discount Code: GSB-TAKE20)

HOW TO EARN A MEDAL: Reading logs must total: Gold: 1000 pages, Silver: 750 pages, Bronze: 600 pages

READING LOG:

Each entry must include the title, author, number of pages read, and a 2-3 sentence summary written in complete sentences with neat cursive handwriting. Electronic or audio books do not count. A parent must initial each book recorded on the log. See below.

TITLE	AUTHOR	# PAGES	PARENT INITIALS
Heidi	Jahanna Spyri	284	JRG
Name of Book Series (if any):			
Summary: Heidi is a cheerful orphan girl who goes to live with her grumpy, but kind-hearted			
Grandfather in the Luciss Alps. She loves her life there but is soon sent to the city to be a			
companion to a sick girl, Clara. Heidi misses the mountains and eventually returns to the			
Alps, where she helps Clara learn to walk.			

GSB Library Summer Hours: Tuesdays 9am-1pm: June 3, 17, July 8, 22.

All GSB Library books must be returned by Aug. 11.

Return Reading Logs to the teacher on the first day of school.

Summer Reading medals will be awarded at the Summer Reading Awards Assembly.