

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 Fourth or Fifth Grade lists. Only books read from these lists will count. After reaching silver medal level (1000 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 (www.storyglorykids.com/gsbsummer Discount Code: GSB-TAKE20), and borrow or share with friends.

HOW TO EARN A MEDAL:

Reading logs must total: Gold: 1500 pages, Silver: 1000 pages, Bronze: 800 pages, Above and Beyond: 2000 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 |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|------------|--------------------|
| Swiss Family Robinson | Johann Wyss | 352 | JRG |
| Name of Book Series (if any): | | | |
| Summary: a family is shipurecked on a deserted island and must learn to survive. They build | | | |
| a home in a tree, find food and tame animals while facing challenges like storms and | | | |
| dangerous creatures. Over time, they create a wonderful life on the island, are rescued and | | | |
| must decide whether to return to cirilization. | | | |
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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.