

Agathos Classical School
Upcoming 1st Graders' Summer Reading List

We encourage you to look for and read quality literature with and to your child at least 15 minutes each day throughout the summer. "Bright and Early Books," "Beginner Books," and "Level 1 Books" are stories with controlled vocabulary designed for children who are just learning to read. Many titles under these labels would be great options for students who are ready to practice reading independently.

In addition to the leveled books, the following anthologies, fairy tales, and poetry titles are excellent choices to read to your child as you prepare for first grade.

Alan Garner's Fairy Tales of Gold	Alan Garner
Best-Loved Fairy Tales	Walter Crane
Fairy Tales	illustrated by Paul O. Zelinsky
Happy Prince and Other Fairy Tales	Oscar Wilde
Jack and the Beanstalk	Retold by Stephen Kellogg
James Harriot's Treasury for Children	James Harriot
Poems and Prayers for the Very Young	Martha G. Alexander
Princess and the Pea, The	HCA Retold by John Cech
Real Mother Goose, The	Armand Eisen
Thumbelina	HCA Retold by Brad Sneed OR Sylvia Long
Ugly Duckling, The	HCA Retold by Jerry Pinkney

Books and/or series by the following authors are also recommended:

Bemelmans, Ludwig	Hoban, Russell	Numeroff, Laura
Berenstain, Stan and Jan	Hoff, Syd	Perkins, Al
Bridwell, Norman	Lionni, Leo	Rey, H. A.
Dean, James	Lobel, Arnold	Sendak, Maurice
Eastman, P. D.	Mayer, Mercer	Seuss, Dr.
Henkes, Kevin	Minarik, Elsa Holmelund	Steig, William

**"If you want your children to be intelligent, read them fairy tales.
If you want them to be more intelligent, read them more fairy tales." Albert Einstein**