Rising First Grade Summer 2025 Reading List

Reading is a foundational skill for education. During a child's first grade year at The Geneva School, he/she will be exposed to many genres of quality literature. Throughout the summer, leading up to this year, we recommend that parents spend time reading aloud to their child. We would like to offer the following recommendations to assist you in developing the love of reading in your child.

A Chair for My Mother by Vera B. Williams

A New Coat for Anna by Harriet Ziefert

Harry the Dirty Dog by Gene Zion

If You Give a Mouse a Cookie (and others in the series) by Laura Joffe Numeroff

James Herriot's Treasury for Children by James Herriot

Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse by Kevin Henkes

The Emperor's New Clothes by Han Christian Andersen

The Little Engine that Could by Watty Piper

The Magic Fish by Freya Littledale

The Original Mother Goose by Blanche Fisher Wright (illustrator)

The Story of Ping by Marjorie Flack/Kurt Weise

Frogs by Gail Gibbons

Butterflies by Nic Bishop

The Complete Brambly Hedge by Jill Barklem

Any books by Eric Carle, Jan Brett, and Leo Lionni

Corduroy series by Don Freeman

Curious George series by H.A. Rey

Henry and Mudge series by Cynthia Rylant

Little Bear series by Else Homelund Minarik

Mr. Putter and Tabby series by Cynthia Rylant