

Incoming Grade 3 Summer 2010

Dear Parents,

Each year Rosarian Academy requires students to read independently during the summer months. Realizing that reading is an essential part of the school curriculum, the language arts teachers have compiled guidelines for grades 3-8.

This summer, students moving into 3rd grade will be required to read two books, one CALDECOTT AWARD winning book and one NEWBERY AWARD winning book. All public libraries and bookstores will have these lists and books available. Caldecott books are awarded for their illustrations and are generally picture books. Please help your child select one they have not read before, and one with text they must read. Newbery books are generally chapter books. Help your child select one on his/her level of reading. You may read it with your child to assist with comprehension.

Attached are the report forms to be completed in *manuscript* by your child after reading each book. We *will not* accept computer generated or typed reports, because handwriting is an important skill to be practiced. The reports will be graded and each will be weighted as a homework assignment. Incomplete book reports or those students who do not turn one in by the end of the first week of school will receive a zero for each assignment missed.

Do *not* choose the below listed books. We may use some of them as a group during the school year.

- 1 **Ramona Quimby, Age 8**
- 2 **Trumpet of the Swan**
- 3 **Because of Winn Dixie**
- 4 **The Cricket in Time Square**
- 5 **Matilda**
- 6 **Misty of Chincoteague**
- 7 **Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing**

Thank you,
Ms. Fields, & Ms. Georgules