

*St. John Neumann School*  
**REQUIRED**  
*Summer Reading and Assignments*

*Students Entering Third Grade*

All students entering third grade are required to read at least two books and complete three of the listed activities. **Please bring completed activities to school on August 18.** For your convenience, a suggested reading list is included for additional reading.

REQUIRED SUMMER READING and RELATED ACTIVITIES

1. Read **one** of the following books

HENRY HUGGINS by Beverly Cleary

RAMONA THE BRAVE by Beverly Cleary

MY DOG MY HERO by Betsy Byars

Any book from the ENCYCLOPEDIA BROWN series

Any of the LITTLE HOUSE CHAPTER BOOKS

**Activities:**

(a) Make a bookmark for the book you read, drawing a main character on the front, and give a brief summary of the book on the back after listing the title and author.

(b) Select **one** activity from the following list to complete for the same book.

\*Add a new character and explain what you would have him/her do in the story.

\*Pretend that you can spend a day with one of the characters. Which character would you choose? Why? What would you do?

\*Write about one of the character's life twenty years from now.

2. Read a "South Carolina" biography by Idella Bodie. Choose **one** of the following books:

THE COURAGEOUS PATRIOT

THE MAN WHO LOVED THE FLAG

THE REVOLUTIONARY SWAMP FOX

THE FIGHTING GAMECOCK

SPUNKY REVOLUTIONARY WAR HEROINE

**Assignment:**

Choose five 'artifacts' from the book that best illustrate the happenings and meanings of the story. Write a short paper explaining why you chose each one. Bring the artifacts and written paper to school on **August 18**. Artifacts will be presented to the class during the first few days of the new school year.