

# Literature and Saint Stephen School

Here at Saint Stephen School we agree with John Senior that before you can read the “100 Great Books,” you have to read the “1,000 Good Books,” ones that form the moral imagination and whet the appetite for the True, Good, and Beautiful. Below are highlights from our reading lists.

## **Kindergarten/First Grade**

Tales of Beatrix Potter

*Aesop’s Fables*, M. Winter

*Blueberries for Sal*, R. McCloskey

*St. George and the Dragon*, M. Hodges

*The Parables of Jesus*, T. dePaola

*Strega Nona*, T. dePaola

*I is One*, T. Tudor

*Fountas & Pinnell* (literacy curriculum)

*Words Their Way* (word study)

## **Second Grade**

*The Courage of Sarah Noble*, A. Dalgliesh

*The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe*, C.S. Lewis

*The House at Pooh Corner*, A. A. Milne

*The Selfish Giant*, O. Wilde

*Favorite Poems Old and New*, H. Ferris & L. Weisgard

*The Book of Virtues*, W. Bennett

*Francie on the Run*, H. van Stockum

*Fountas & Pinnell* (literacy curriculum)

*Words Their Way* (word study)

## **Third Grade**

*The Legend of Sleeping Bear*, K. Wargin

*Paddle-to-the-Sea*, H. C. Holling

*The Birchbark House* series, L. Eberlich

*Childhood of Famous American* Series

*The Legend of the Indian Paintbrush*, T. DePaola

*Blessed Marie of New France: The Story of the First Missionary Sisters in Canada*, M. F. Windeatt

## **Fourth Grade**

*Pocahontas*, D’Aulaire

*George Washington: Our First Leader*, A. Stevenson

*Ben and Me*, R. Lawson  
*Betsy Ross*, A. Weil  
*The Matchlock Gun*, W. E. Edmonds  
*Farmer Boy*, L. E. Wilder

### **Fifth Grade**

*Amos Fortune, Free Man*, E. Yates  
*Sacagawea, American Pathfinder*, F. Seymour  
*The Mitchells: Five for Victory*, H. van Stockum  
*The Vanderbeekers*, K. Glaser  
*Johnny Tremain*, E. Forbes  
*Abe Lincoln*, D'Aulaire

### **Sixth Grade**

*The Arabian Nights*, G. Tenggren  
*Call it Courage*, A. Sperry  
*Mufaro's Beautiful Daughters*, J. Steptoe  
*The Hobbit*, J. R. R. Tolkein  
*Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes*, E. Coerr  
*The Story of King Arthur and his Knights of the Round Table*, R. L. Green

### **Seventh Grade**

*Pyramid*, D. McCaulay  
*The Children's Homer*, P. Colum  
*Greek Myths*, O. Coolidge  
*Eagle of the Ninth*, R. Sutcliff  
*The Bronze Bow*, E. J. McGraw  
*Beyond the Desert Gate*, M. Ray  
*Famous Men of Rome*, Haaran & Poland

### **Eighth Grade**

*The Virginian*, O. Wister  
*Little Britches*, R. Moody  
*The Hiding Place*, C. Ten Boom  
*Mere Christianity*, C. S. Lewis  
*The Chosen*, C. Potok  
*The Outsiders*, S. E. Hinton  
*Calico Captive*, E. G. Speare