

ST.ALOYSIUS SCHOOL LIBRARY

Policies for the 2007-2008 School Year

1. Children in grades preschool, pre-kindergarten, and kindergarten will visit the library on a weekly basis. While there, they will listen to a story and check out books from a large selection chosen by the librarian and displayed on the tables. These children will choose one book per week, which is due the following week. If a child forgets his or her book, they will be allowed to choose a book that will be sent down to the classroom and the teacher will see that your child gets the book upon returning the overdue book.
2. Children in grade 1 and 2 will visit the library on a weekly basis. While there, they will listen to a story, take quiz if participating in "Reading Counts Program", and grade 1 will check out books from a large selection chosen by the librarian and displayed on the tables. Grade 2 will be able to choose their own books off the shelves. These children may choose up to 2 books per week, which will be due the following week. If a child forgets his or her books, they will be allowed to choose their books that will be sent down to the classroom and the teacher will see that your child gets the books upon returning the overdue book.
3. If a library book is misplaced or lost, could you please send a note with your child to the library? I will then send home a note with your child stating the cost of the book. Upon payment, your child may again check out books. Remember that your child may not take home a book from the library until their overdue book is returned or their lost book is paid for. If a book is found, please send back to the library and I will gladly send your payment back home with your child.

This year, the librarian will be available all day on Wednesday and Thursday. There will be nobody in the library on Monday, Tuesday, and Friday.

If a student would like to renew a book, simply place a piece of paper in the pocket of the book with the word "Renew". The student must have the book with them to renew it.

I will again use a reward system for those students in kindergarten, grade one, and grade two for returning their books on time. If all students return their books on time, a congratulatory note will be given to the classroom. When five such notes are received, a treat will be given to that class. At the end of the school year, each child with a perfect library record will receive a certificate and a treat. If a child is absent and returns his or her library book on the day they return to school, that book is not considered overdue.

We have an exciting program called "Reading Counts". Here's how it works:

1. Students select and read "Reading Counts" books.
2. Students take quizzes on the computer to verify completion and comprehension.
3. Teachers can receive clear, actionable reports on student progress

Upon completion of quiz, students may check out another "Reading Counts" book if previous book was returned but it must be returned on their next scheduled library day.

Students receive rewards after reaching the points required for each grade. I will be happy to answer any questions parents may have concerning the program by simply stopping in the library.

Listed below is your child's library day. Please refer to this when returning their library books:

3 Yr. Preschool	Wednesday AM
3 Yr. Preschool	Thursday AM
3 Yr. Preschool	Thursday PM
Prekindergarten	Wednesday AM
Prekindergarten	Wednesday PM
Kindergarten (Mrs. Murry)	Wednesday AM
Grade One (Miss Myers)	Thursday AM
Grade One (Mrs. Johnson)	Thursday AM
Grade Two (Mrs. Kortz)	Thursday PM

Mrs. Jan Biselx
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