



DOGWOOD CLASSICAL ACADEMY

This list of books is based on suggestions from our friends at other Hillsdale Barney Charter Initiatives. As you select your books feel free to expand your search to previous lists and enjoy other titles of beautiful literature you may have missed along the way.

Kindergarten

An Illustrated Treasury of Hans Christian Andersen's Fairy Tales, Hans Christian Andersen,
Mother Goose's Nursery Rhymes, Robert Frederick
The Classic Treasury of Aesop's Fables, Don Daily
Make Way for Ducklings, Robert McKloskey
When We Were Very Young, Arnold Lobel

1st Grade

The Velveteen Rabbit | Margery Williams
A Bear Called Paddington | Michael Bond
Blueberries for Sal | Robert McCloskey
Brave Irene & Doctor DeSot | William Steig
A New Coat for Anna | Harriet Ziefert
Dandelion | Don Freeman
The Little Red Lighthouse and the Great Gray Bridge | Hildegard H. Swift and Lynd Ward
Big Book of Animal Stories (or others of his animal story compilations) | Thornton Burgess
Pippi Longstocking | Astrid Lindgren
Mrs. Piggle-Wiggle | Betty MacDonald
Encyclopedia Brown (series) | Donald J. Sobol

2nd Grade

Keep the Lights Burning, Abbie | Peter and Connie Roop
The Bears on Hemlock Mountain | Alice Dalgliesh
Tales from Beatrix Potter | Beatrix Potter
Nate the Great | Marjorie Weinman Sharmat
Stone Fox | John Reynolds Gardiner
The Boxcar Children (series) | Gertrude Chandler Warner
Stuart Little | E. B. White
The Thirteen Clocks | James Thurber

3rd Grade

Sarah, Plain and Tall | Patricia MacLachlan
Winnie the Pooh (original and unabridged) | A. A. Milne
The Twenty-One Balloons | William Pene Du Bois
The Trumpet of the Swan | E. B. White
Mr. Popper's Penguins | Richard Atwater
Homer Price | Robert McCloskey
The Tale of Despereaux | Kate DiCamillo
The Mouse and the Motorcycle | Beverly Cleary
My Father's Dragon | Ruth Stiles Gannett
Just So Stories | Rudyard Kipling
The Cricket in Times Square | George Seldon

4th Grade

Little House in the Big Woods | Laura Ingalls Wilder
Indian Captive | Lois Lenski
The Wind in the Willows | Kenneth Grahame
Tales from the Mixed-up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler | E. L. Kongisburg
Poppy | Avi
Guns for General Washington | Seymour Reit
Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH | Robert C. O'Brien
The Door in the Wall | Marguerite deAngeli
The Sword in the Tree | Clyde Robert Bulla
The Borrowers | Mary Norton
Misty of Chincoteague | Marguerite Henry

5th Grade

The Magician's Nephew & The Chronicles of Narnia (series) | C. S. Lewis
Where the Red Fern Grows | Wilson Rawls
Johnny Tremain | Esther Forbes
The Phantom Tollbooth | Norton Juster
The Princess and the Goblin | George MacDonald

5th Grade (continued)

The Secret Garden | Frances Hodgson Burnett
The Reluctant Dragon | Kenneth Grahame
Heidi | Johanna Spyri
The Great Brain (series) | John D. Fitzgerald
Number the Stars | Lois Lowry
Ben and Me | Robert Lawson
My Side of the Mountain | Jean Craighead George
The Great Little Madison and *Why Not, LaFayette?* | Jean Fritz

6th Grade

Amos Fortune, Free Man | Elizabeth Yates
The Giver | Lois Lowry
Souder | William H. Armstrong
The Sign of the Beaver | Elizabeth George Speare
The Witch of Blackbird Pond | Elizabeth George Speare
True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle | Avi
The Voyages of Doctor Dolittle | Hugh Lofting
The Hobbit | J.R.R. Tolkien
The Golden Fleece | Padraic Colum
The Redwall (series) | Brian Jacques
The Shakespeare Stealer | Gary Blackwood
Mr. Lincoln's Drummer | G. Clifton Wisler
The Cay | Theodore Taylor
Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry | Mildred D. Taylor
The Story of Thomas Alva Edison | Margaret Cousins

7th Grade

The Diary of a Young Girl | Anne Frank
The Jungle Book | Rudyard Kipling
Island of the Blue Dolphins | Scott O'Dell
Little Women | Louisa May Alcott
The Call of the Wild | Jack London
The Dragon and the Raven | G. A. Henty
The Young Carthaginian | G. A. Henty
Sea Wolf | Jack London
Swiss Family Robinson | Johann Davis Wyss

8th Grade

The Prince and the Pauper | Mark Twain
A Wrinkle in Time | Madeleine L'Engle
Treasure Island (original and unabridged) | Robert Louis Stevenson
Watership Down | Richard Adams

Around the World in Eighty Days (original and unabridged) | Jules Verne
The Yearling | Marjorie Rawlings
I Never Saw Another Butterfly | Hana Volavkova

9th Grade

The Persians | Aeschylus
Seven Against Thebes | Aeschylus
Makers of Rome (Cato the Elder, Tiberius Gracchus, Gaius Gracchus, and Mark Antony) | Plutarch
Pygmalion | George Bernard Shaw
Ben Hur | Lew Wallace

10th Grade

A Man for All Seasons | Robert Bolt
King Arthur and His Knights: Selected Tales, ed. Vinaver | Sir Thomas Malory
Idylls of the King | Alfred, Lord Tennyson
The Once and Future King | T. H. White

11th Grade

Nothing to Do but Stay | Carrie Young
Adventures of Huckleberry Finn | Mark Twain
1776 (excerpts: pages 44–69, 75–112, 135–140, 212–229, 241–246, and 272–294) | David McCullough
A Farewell to Arms | Ernest Hemingway
The Grapes of Wrath | John Steinbeck
The Virginian | Owen Wister
Gilead: A Novel | Marilynne Robinson
All Quiet on the Western Front | Erich Maria Remarque

12th Grade

Crime and Punishment | Fyodor Dostoevsky
All the King's Men | Robert Penn Warren
Frankenstein | Mary Shelley
Paradise Lost | John Milton
Pride and Prejudice | Jane Austen
Sense and Sensibility | Jane Austen
Emma | Jane Austen
All the Light We Cannot See | Anthony Doerr
Vanity Fair | William Makepeace Thackeray
Les Misérables | Victor Hugo