Literature Suggestions

**Grades 1 and 2**

* Adventures of Peter Cottontail (Burgess, Thornton)
* Amelia Bedelia (Parish, Peggy)
* Are You My Mother? (Eastman, P.D.) [HC]
* Bear Called Paddington (Bond, Michael)
* Bedtime for Frances (Hoban, Russell)
* Blueberries for Sal (McCloskey, Robert)
* Cat in the Hat, The (Seuss, Dr.)
* Corduroy (Freeman, Don)
* Crow Boy (Yashima, Taro)
* Curious George (Rey, H.A.)
* Frog and Toad Are Friends (Lobel, Arnold)
* Hundred Penny Box, The (Mathis, Sharon Bell)
* Ira Sleeps Over (Waber, Bernard)
* Little Engine that Could, The (Piper, Watty)
* Little House in the Big Woods (Ingalls, Laura)
* Little House, The (Burton, Virginia Lee)
* Little Red Hen, The (Galdone, Paul)
* Make Way for Ducklings (McCloskey, Robert)
* Mike Mulligan and His Steam Shovel (Burton)
* Petunia (Duvoisin, Roger)
* Snowy Day, The (Keats, Ezra Jack)
* Story About Ping, The (Flack, Marjorie)
* Tale of Peter Rabbit (Potter, Beatrix)
* Tikki Tikki Tembo (Mosel, Arlene)
* Velveteen Rabbit, The (Williams, Margery)
* Very Hungry Caterpillar, The (Carle, Eric)
* Yonie Wondernose (de Angeli, Marguerite)

**Grades 3 and 4**

* Aesop's Fables (Aesop)
* Arrow Over the Door (Bruchac, Joseph)
* Black Beauty (Sewell, Anna)
* Cabin Faced West, The (Fritz, Jean)
* Caddie Woodlawn (Brink, Carol Ryrie)
* Charlotte's Web (White, E.B)
* Courage of Sarah Noble, The (Dagliesh, Alice)
* Henry's Red Sea (Smucker, Barbara)
* Little House on the Prairie (Ingalls, Laura)
* Little Pilgrim's Progress (Taylor, Helen)
* Misty of Chincoteague (Henry, Marguerite)
* Penny’s Worth of Character, A (Stuart, Jesse)
* Pinocchio (Collodi, Carlo)
* Railway Children, The (Nesbit, Edith)
* Ramona the Brave (Cleary, Beverly)
* Secret Church (Vernon, Louise)
* Secret Garden, The (Burnett, Francis)
* Snow Treasure (McSwigan, Marie)
* Squanto, Friend of the Pilgrims (Bulla, Clyde)
* Stuart Little (White, E.B.)
* Ugly Duckling, The (Anderson, Hans C.)
* Winnie the Pooh (Milne, A.A.)

**Grades 5 and 6**

* Adam of the Road (Gray, Elizabeth)
* Amos Fortune, Free Man (Yates, Elizabeth)
* Best Christmas Pageant Ever (Robinson, Barbara)
* Big Red (Kjelgaard, Jim)
* Calico Captive (Speare, Elizabeth George)
* Call of the Wild, The (London, Jack)
* Carry On, Mr. Bowditch (Latham, Jean Lee)
* Christmas Carol, A (Dickens, Charles)
* Coals of Fire (Bauman, Elizabeth)
* Heidi (Spyri, Johanni)
* Jungle Books, The (Kipling, Rudyard)
* Lantern in Her Hand (Aldrich, Bess Streeter)
* Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe, The (Lewis, C.S.)
* Little Britches (Moody, Ralph)
* Little Princess, A (Burnett, Frances)
* Number the Stars (Lowry, Lois)
* Phantom Tollbooth, The (Juster, Norton)
* Princess and the Goblin (MacDonald, George)
* Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry (Taylor, Mildred)
* Twenty and Ten (Du Bois, William)
* Where the Red Fern Grows (Rawls, Wilson)
* Wind in the Willows, The (Grahame, Kenneth)
* Witch of Blackbird Pond (Speare, Elizabeth)

**Grades 7 and 8**

* Adventures of Tom Sawyer (Twain, Mark)
* Anne of Green Gables (Montgomery, L.M.)
* Bronze Bow, The (Speare, Elizabeth George)
* Call It Courage (Sperry, Armstrong)
* Cross and the Switchblade (Wilkerson, David)
* Diary of a Young Girl (Frank, Anne)
* Door in the Wall (de Angeli, Marguerite)
* Hans Brinker, or, The Silver Skates (Dodge)
* Hiding Place, The (Ten Boom, Corrie)
* Island of the Blue Dolphins (O'Dell, Scott)
* Light from Heaven (Kauffman, Christmas Carol)
* Little Prince, The (St. Exupery, Antoine)
* Little Women (Alcott, Louisa Mae)
* Martyr of the Catacombs (Anonymous)
* Merry Adventures of Robin Hood (Pyle, Howard)
* Old Yeller (Gipson, Fred)
* Swiss Family Robinson, The (Wyss, Johann)
* Tales from Shakespeare (Lamb, Charles)
* Treasure Island (Stevenson, Robert Louis)
* Treasures of the Snow (St. John, Patricia)
* Yearling, The (Rawlings, Marjorie)

**Grades 9 and 10**

* Adventures of Sherlock Holmes (Doyle, Sir Arthur)
* Animal Farm (Orwell, George)
* Ben Hur (Wallace, Lew)
* Bruchko (Olson, Bruce)
* Captains Courageous (Kipling, Rudyard)
* Cheaper By the Dozen (Gilbreth, Frank)
* Chosen, The (Potok, Chaim)
* Christy (Marshall, Catherine)
* Don Quixote (Cervantes)
* Fire in the Zurich Hills (Stoll, Elmo)
* Heavenly Man, The (Hattaway, Paul)
* In His Steps (Sheldon, Charles)
* Invincible Louisa (Meigs, Cornelia)
* Peace Child (Richardson, Don)
* Pushcart War (Merrill, Jean)
* Rip Van Winkle (Irving, Washington)
* Robinson Crusoe (Defoe, Daniel)
* Safely Home (Alcorn, Randy)
* Scarlet Pimpernel, The (Baroness Orczy)
* Tale of Two Cities, A (Dickens, Charles)
* Thread That Runs So True, The (Stuart, Jesse)

**Grades 11 and 12**

* Auschwitz (Nyiszli, Miklos)
* Blood Brothers (Chacour, Elias)
* Chariots in the Smoke (Epp, Margaret)
* Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde (Stevenson, Robert)
* Favorite Father Brown Stories (Chesterton)
* Great Expectations (Dickens, Charles)
* Jane Eyre (Bronte, Emily)
* Last of the Mohicans (Cooper, James Fenimore)
* Les Miserables (Hugo, Victor)
* Shadow of the Almighty (Elliot, Elisabeth)
* Lords of the Earth (Richardson, Don)
* Moby Dick (Melville, Herman)
* Practice of the Presence of God, The (Lawrence)
* Pride and Prejudice (Austen, Jane)
* Scarlet Letter, The (Hawthorne, Nathaniel)
* Screwtape Letters, The (Lewis, C.S.)
* Silas Marner (Eliot, George)
* Story of My Life, The (Keller, Helen)
* Through Gates of Splendor (Elliot, Elizabeth)
* To Kill a Mockingbird (Lee, Harper)
* Uncle Tom's Cabin (Stowe, Harriet Beecher)
* Up From Slavery (Washington, Booker T.)
* War and Peace (Tolstoy, Leo)

This list was compiled by the staff at Faith Builders Christian School. It is intended to identify enjoyable children’s books that are suitable for classroom or private reading. It is only a small selection from many that could be chosen. Grade levels are suggestions.