***Veritas Academy***

***2nd Grade Reading List***

***2013-2014***

**History Course - Kings and Queens**: This course gives an overview of seven of western history’s mostillustrious kings and queens in order to acquaint students with the events and achievements of the periods they represent and to see how God has sovereignly worked through them. The reigns of Tutankhamen, Alexander the Great, Caesar Augustus, Alfred the Great, Queen Elizabeth, Louis XIV and Queen Victoria will be the focus of the course.

Veritas has varying numbers of each book available for borrowing (one to two books at a time). Check with the teacher for availability once the term begins. It is the responsibility of parents to obtain the books, from Veritas if available, or from local bookstores, public libraries or Internet sites. Here are some sources for ordering books. The book codes are given for those who wish to order through Sonlight Curriculum.

1. Sonlight Curriculum: www.sonlight.com.
2. www.amazon.com.
3. Barnes and Noble Online: www.bn.com
4. Used book stores or Internet sites (e.g. www.abebooks.com)

**Read-Alouds (Choose 18 books. Parents read to your student.)**

**A Child’s Garden of Verses** by Robert Louis Stevenson - SL #2A01

**\*Tut’s Mummy Lost and Found** by Judy Donnelly – SL #1H02 or VP #490-870

**\*The Trojan Horse** by Emily Little – VP #490-865

**\*Alexander the Great** by Robert Green – VP #240-010

**Mrs. Piggle-Wiggle** by Betty McDonald – SL #1A22

**\*Twice Freed** by Patricia St. John – VP #305-557

**\*Castle Diary** by Richard Platt – SL #2A28

**\*Tales of Robin Hood** by T. Allan – SL #2A30

**Kildee House** by Rutherford Montgomery – SL #1A18

**\*Good Queen Bess** by Diane Stanley and Peter Vennema– SL #2H27

**\*The Apprentice** by Pillar Llorente – SL #2A19

\***The Little Lame Prince** by Dinah Maria Craik (aka Miss. Mulock) – (Amazon.com)

**The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe** by C. S. Lewis – VP #255-450

**\*Heidi** (condensed version) by Johanna Spyri – SL #1A02 (Another version is also acceptable.)

**Farmer Boy** by Laura Ingalls Wilder – (Amazon.com)

**The Apple and the Arrow** by Mary and Conrad Buff (Amazon.com)

**Beezus and Romona** by Beverly Clearly (Amazon.com)

**Ginger Pye** by Eleanor Estes – SL #2A14

**The Family Under the Bridge** by Natalie Savage Carlson (Amazon.com) (alternate)

**The Whipping Boy** by Sid Fleischman (Amazon.com) (alternate)

**Minstrel in the Tower** by Gloria Skurzinsky – SL #2A32 (alternate)

**\*These books correspond to Kings and Queens specifically**

**Readers (read by student himself)**

Note: At the beginning of the school year, each student will be given a “Reader Summary Folder” with 17 summary forms (excluding the one for The Beginner’s Bible) to be completed as the student reads each book according to a Reader Calendar, which will also be given at the beginning of school.

**The Beginner’s Bible** – retold by Karyn Henley – SL #2R17

**Owl at Home** by Arnold Lobel – SL #2R04

**The Fire Cat** by Esther Averill – SL #2R20

**Surprises** by Lee Hopkins – SL #2R24

**Frog and Toad All Year** by Arnold Lobel – SL #2R22

**Amelia Bedelia** by Peggy Parish – SL #2R23

**Nate the Great** by Marjorie Sharmat – SL #2R19

**Pompeii: Buried Alive** by Edith Kunhardt - SL #2R11

**Frog and Toad are Friends** by Arnold Lobel – SL #2R02

**Daniel’s Duck** by Clyde Bulla - SL #2R18

**Mouse Tales** by Arnold Lobel – SL #2R16

**The Big Balloon Race** by Eleanor Coerr – SL #2R15

**Wagon Wheels** by Barbara Brenner – SL #2R14

**Hill of Fire** by Thomas Lewis –SL #2R09

**Frog and Toad Together** by Arnold Lobel – SL #2R03

**Titanic Lost and Found** by Judy Donnelly – SL #2R12

**Greg’s Microscope** by Millicent Selsam - #2R21

**The Sword in the Tree** by Clyde Bulla – SL #2R27

**Literature Units (provided by Veritas Academy and studied in class)**

***Poetry Unit***

**Miss Nelson is Missing** by James Marshall

**Ox-Cart Man** by Donald Hall

**Paul Bunyan (and other Kellogg tall tales)** by Steven Kellogg

**The Velveteen Rabbit** by Margery Williams

**A Chair for My Mother** by Vera B. Williams

**The Emperor’s New Clothes (and other fairy tales)** by Hans Christian Andersen

**Doctor DeSoto** by William Steig

**Ralph S. Mouse** by Beverly Cleary