



Early Childhood and Lower School Summer Readiness Activities

Dear Early Childhood and Lower School families,

Summer is a great time for your child to practice what he or she has learned throughout the past school year and to prepare for the coming year. It is important for our students to continue reading and learning during the summer months and to keep up with the many skills and strategies they have learned.

One of the most important pieces of a child’s learning process is to be read to as much as possible. There is no better activity for your child than to engage in reading for enjoyment. Math is another important and easy skill to practice. With that in mind, we are suggesting the following activities during the summer. All Early Childhood and Lower School students are strongly encouraged to read as many of these books listed as they wish and to work on the skills listed below. Students entering 1st and 2nd grade will also have access to “My Path” on i-Ready and should continue working throughout the summer. One reading and one math lesson a week is suggested.

Early Childhood Program Summer Assignments	
PK3	<p>Please use this time to get ready for school by reading to your child daily, practicing self-care procedures such as washing hands, using the restroom, and changing clothing independently.</p>
PK4	<p>Reading: Children entering PK4 should read with a grown up for at least 15 minutes a day. Any book will do, but here are just a few suggestions:</p> <p><u>Chicka Chicka Boom Boom</u> by Bill Martin, Jr. and John Archambault <u>Pete the Cat: I Love My White Shoes</u> by James Dean and Eric Litwin <u>Llama Llama Red Pajama</u> by Anna Dewdney <u>Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?</u> By Bill Martin, Jr. and Eric Carle</p> <p>Math: Practice counting orally to 20.</p>
Kindergarten	<p>Reading: Children entering Kindergarten should read with a grown up for at least 15 minutes a day. Any book will do, but here are just a few suggestions:</p> <p><u>Click, Clack, Moo Cows That Type</u> by Doreen Cronin <u>Llama Llama Red Pajama</u> by Anna Dewdney <u>Caps for Sale</u> by Esphyr Slobodkina <u>Go, Dog. Go!</u> by P.D. Eastman Any Mo Willems Books</p> <p>Math: Practice writing numbers 0-20 and identifying the number words for 0-10. Flash cards, writing on Magna Doodles or in sand, and online games are all great ways to practice. For your convenience, helpful and educational websites are listed on the school website.</p>

Lower School Summer Assignments

First Grade:	<p><u>Reading:</u></p> <p>Mouse Tales, Owl at Home, and Frog and Toad stories by Arnold Lobel Little Bear stories by Else Holmelund Minarik Pete the Cat series by: James Dean (I can read series) <u>Fancy Nancy</u> by: Jane O'Connor (I can read series) <u>Splat the Cat: I Scream for Ice Cream</u> by Rob Scotton <u>The Fat Cat Sat on the Mat</u> by Nurit Karlin Dr. Seuss books <u>Mac and Cheese</u> by Sarah Weeks <u>Fox the Tiger</u> by Corey Tabor Pigeon/Piggie/Elephant books by Mo Willems <u>Miss Nelson is Missing</u> by Harry Allard <u>The Very Hungry Caterpillar</u> by Eric Carle <u>If You Give a Mouse a Cookie</u> by Laura Numeroff <u>Are You My Mother?</u> by P.D. Eastman <u>Officer Buckle and Gloria</u> by Peggy Rathmann</p> <p><u>Math:</u> Practice adding and subtracting up to 10.</p>
Second Grade:	<p><u>Reading:</u></p> <p><u>Humphrey's Tiny Tales</u> by Betty G. Birney <u>Magic Treehouse Books</u> by Mary Pope Osborne <u>My Weird School</u> by Dan Gutman <u>EllRay Jakes and Absolutely Alfie</u> by Sally Warner Fly Guy series by Ted Arnold Flat Stanley series by Jeff Brown Frog and Toad series by Arnold Loebel Junie B. Jones series by Barbara Park Henry and Mudge series by Cynthia Rylant Popleton series by Cynthia Rylant Nate the Great series by Marjorie W. Sharmat, Piggie and Elephant series by Mo Willems</p> <p><u>Math:</u> Memorize addition and subtraction facts. Use flash cards.</p>

It is our hope that these summer activities will provide meaningful ways to spend time as a family and to keep our students sharp and ready for their upcoming school year. Have a happy and safe summer and don't forget to visit your local library to find some of these great books.

Many blessings,

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