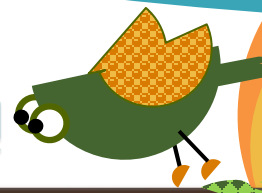


Reading & Math Summer Fun!



Dear parent/guardian:

Did you know that although summer is only ten weeks long, teachers spend an average of six weeks at the beginning of the year catching students up on what they lose over summer break? Summer slide-academic regression that occurs over the summer break-is real, and we want to help your child avoid it. We can do that with your help. Summer work does not need to be boring drudgery. This year, we are suggesting several new ways to fight the summer slide:

Summer Reading

PK3-2nd Grade

For students entering grades PK3-2 in the 2019-2020 school year, we suggest letting your child read whatever book interests them. Rather than assigning a particular book or series, or restricting them to an assigned reading level, the focus should be on encouraging your child to develop a love of reading. Teachers will be sending home reading logs and journals for you to help encourage your young reader through the summer. Some suggestions for helping your child find books they love: go to the library or book store and just let them explore, have your child choose some books starring their favorite character, find books about topics they love (dinosaurs, horses, bugs, etc...).

Rising 3rd -5th grade students (Students entering third through eighth grade in 2019-2020)

As we continue our implementation of the award-winning Wit & Wisdom ELA curriculum, students entering grades 3-5 are required to read at least one book from the volume of reading for module one to begin building their foundation of knowledge for the coming school year. Students in grades 6-8 are required to purchase the assigned text to read over the summer and then bring to school on the first day. Teachers will also be sending home reading journals for students to take notes as they read. Click on the link below for your child's 2019-20 grade level to see the list of books in the module one volume of reading lists.

[Grade 3 Volume of Reading](#)

[Grade 4 Volume of Reading](#)

[Grade 5 Volume of Reading](#)

Rising 6th-8th grade students

For students entering 6th grade, please purchase and read the following title. This book should be brought to school on the first day of school. [Out of the Dust](#) by Karen Hesse. [Grade 6 Volume of Reading](#)

For students entering 7th grade, please purchase and read the following title. This book should be brought to school on the first day of school. [The Midwife's Apprentice](#) by Karen Cushman. [Grade 7 Volume of Reading](#)

For students entering 8th grade, please purchase and read the following title. This book should be brought to school on the first day of school. [The Witness](#), by Karen Hesse [Grade 8 Volume of Reading](#)

Summer Math, writing, and more!

PK3-2nd Grade

For students in lower elementary, SSCS recommends summer learning in fun, game-style activities. Look for math games suggestions to come home the last week of school! K-2 students can also use their BrainPOP accounts to access more summer activities.

3rd-8th Grade

BrainPOP: Our school has a summer subscription to BrainPOP and BrainPOP Jr., award-winning educational websites we trust. As part of that subscription, you have access to these resources at home all year!

Sign up at <https://go.brainpop.com/home/tips> and receive monthly ideas, tips, activities, and more including four **summer learning packets** featuring reading, math, writing, and physical fitness.

IXL: Your child's IXL account is active all summer long. IXL includes practice activities for all grade levels in both math and language arts. Your child's teacher will recommend which standards your child should focus on over the summer.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Umoh and Mrs. Robles