



VIRGINIA BEACH
FRIENDS SCHOOL

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Rising 1st Grade Summer Enrichment 2020/21

Happy Summer! This is an important time to help your child maintain the growth that occurred this past school year. Reinforcing math and reading skills over the summer break will ensure that your child will not regress in their academics. Choose a few of the following activities to focus on each week. If you'd like to contact me directly, I'd be happy to send printable worksheets for extra practice too! katie@vbfschool.org

Expected Literacy and Math Enrichment Activities

WRITING- *Pick 2 of the choices below to complete over the summer and share with me when we return to school in the fall.* Encourage your writer to spell the best they can. They can try to say a word slowly, use a word they already know, or try it in three ways and decide which one is closest. Ways to write creatively:

1. Make a sign for a social distancing drive by celebration- If you are “going to a birthday party” this summer by doing a drive by celebration, have your child create a poster and write a message.
2. Make a menu for a pretend restaurant- What’s for dinner tonight? Have your child write a menu for what you are having for dinner, or choices for what will be served. They can even practice writing dollar amounts for the cost of each item.
3. Write letters- Have your child write letters to friends and family far away or even to other members of the household.
4. Write a story and turn it into a book with a cover and illustrations- This can be a fun, creative activity! It can even be made into a comic strip/graphic novel.
5. Write a story using photos for the pictures- You can use toys to create a story by setting up some scenes and photographing them. Then, print out the pictures, and have your child write a story to go with the pictures.
6. Write a play to act out- record it in a video when finished and share!

READING- Practice reading at least 20 minutes a day! Try reading many different types of stories. For example: nonfiction, graphic novels, chapter books, books in a series, etc. Practice reading aloud to family members, pets, or stuffed animals. *Keep a log of all the books you read. This log should include the title of the book, date started, date finished, and your rating of the book (on a scale of 1-5, or draw 1-5 stars).* This will help you keep track of what you've read and you can look back at the log and share your favorites with your friends when returning to school! You will also be amazed at how many books you can read in one summer!

SIGHT WORDS- Using the Dolch Sight Word list (can be found through google search), *practice reading, spelling, and writing all words from the list.* You can start at the kindergarten list and if your child is ready, they can move to the next lists. Here are some fun ways to practice:

1. Make two sets of cards and play memory.
2. Hang up two sight words and race a family member across the room to read the sight word in "your lane."
3. Go on a sight word scavenger hunt by hiding flashcards around the house.
4. Play Sight Word War- each player turns over a sight word and whoever reads the sight word first wins both cards.
5. Make a Bingo board and play Bingo with the sight words.
6. Create a word search puzzle on www.puzzlemaker.com
7. Make an extra set of cards and play Go Fish.
8. Make a Tic Tac Toe Board with the sight words.
9. Flashlight words- tape the words up on the ceiling and turn off the lights. Use the flashlight to read the words.
10. Make the words using play dough, legos, shaving cream, blocks, toy cars, etc.

MATH- Important topics to practice and review:

1. Place value- to the hundreds place
2. Comparing numbers- numbers 1-100
3. Count by 5's and 10's to 100
4. Telling time to the hour
5. Addition and subtraction facts to 10
6. Identifying and counting coins and bills
7. Identify patterns
8. Measure in inches and feet

Additional Optional Enrichment Activities Including Library

Summer Reading Programs:

- Scholastic Summer Read-a-Palooza: Go to [Scholastic.com/homebase](https://www.scholastic.com/homebase) and create an account for your child. Scholastic Home Base is a fun, safe, and completely free online destination where kids can create their own avatar, interact with their favorite Scholastic characters, play games, and read books! **May 4, 2020 - September 4, 2020.**
- Virginia Beach Public Library Summer Reading Challenge: to log your reading go to https://vbpl.beanstack.com/users/sign_in and register. Participate in weekly enrichment activities to keep your brain sharp through fun activity badges. Each week, readers that complete 3 activities will unlock the activity badge and be entered to win coupons to food venues that offer drive-through or takeout. The coupons will be mailed to each winner's home until the Library buildings reopen.

Book recommendations from your Librarian:

- "Frog and Toad are Friends" by Arnold Lobel is a classic Frog and Toad book that contains five stories about friendship. This is a perfect book to help kids understand the importance of being a good friend.
- "The Boy Who Loved Words" by Roni Schotter is a book that explores the wonder of words. This is a great book for families to build their mutual vocabulary and interact together with the glossary in the book.
- "There is a Bird on Your Head" by Mo Willems is a great book for beginning readers and perfect for helping kids see the fun and value of being a little different!

These titles are just some fun recommendations for over the summer, of course any book is a good book for your child to read. It is suggested that your child read, or read together as a family, for at least 20 minutes a day. This helps improve their long term reading success and expands the child's vocabulary. I cannot wait to see your student in the fall and read many wonderful books with them over the course of the year. I hope you and your family have a wonderful summer!! - Teacher Courtney, VBFS Librarian.