

First Grade Summer Information

Have a fun summer and remember
to exercise your brain!



READING

First grade will be a wonderful year. In kindergarten, the students worked diligently learning to read, write, and sound out words for creative spelling. In order to nurture these budding skills, students and family members are encouraged to read aloud to each other every day. Read about many different subjects and interests. Read signs driving around town. Read and discuss books. Students might enjoy retelling the story and creating a different ending or imagining what might happen next. Encourage students to write stories practicing writing in lowercase letters, capitalizing the beginning of a sentence, and ending the sentence with a period. Students could make the shopping list. When writing, students can sound out words rather than worry about correct spelling; however, keep practicing the basic sight words. Illustrating a story, drawing a favorite character or event might also be fun.

Enjoy reading and writing this summer. The only requirement is that each student read *The Very Hungry Caterpillar* by Eric Carle prior to school starting on August 24. The class will discuss the book the first few days of class.

MATH

In addition to reading and writing, the students entering first grade accomplished a great deal with numbers in kindergarten. Keep these skills fresh by continuing to practice what they learned as well as exploring new mathematical concepts. Practice recognizing, writing, and ordering numbers to 100. Count by 2's, 5's, and 10's. Have fun sorting objects into groups, recognizing and completing patterns, maybe even draw a bar graph comparing two or three things. Name coins and count money. Talk about time - students can tell time by the hour and half hour. Play games that allow students to develop number sense, sequencing, logical thinking, comparing, predicting, and counting. Card games like Go Fish, Memory, Old Maid, Slap Jack, and Twenty-One are fun and help with number skills.

When school starts in August, students should know the 1-10 addition facts by memory and be able to make tens (for example, find numbers that add to ten – 3 and 7, 4 and 6, etc.).

IN THE KNOW

ORIENTATION

Friday, August 21, 2020 9 a.m.
Students and parents should plan to attend. The meeting will last about an hour and will take place in your child's classroom.

SUMMER READING

Summer reading and writing suggestions are included. **Every student is required to read *The Very Hungry Caterpillar* by Eric Carle**

SUMMER MATH

Summer suggestions for math are included. Students are encouraged to play games that stimulate analytical thinking and number awareness. **Students should know addition facts by memory and be able to make tens.**

SUPPLIES

A supply list is attached. For your convenience the PFC offers pre-packaged supplies that can be purchased online.
<http://www.lakehillprep.org/parents/>

CALENDAR

Up to date info can be found at:
<http://www.lakehillprep.org/campus-life/school-calendar/>

CONTACT

The school office is open Monday—Thursday 9 a.m.—2 p.m. You may also email John Trout, Lower School Division Head, at jtrout@lakehillprep.org

See you in August!

2020-2021 1ST GRADE SUPPLY LIST

Please do not write on your supplies.

Classroom

- 24 #2 Pencils (**sharpened**) (Ticonderoga)
- 2 **Jumbo** .77oz Glue Sticks
- Left/right 5" metal blade scissors (round tip)
- 1-24ct standard size Crayola crayon
- 1 boxes Classic 12ct assorted color conical tip washable markers
- 2 boxes 230 ct. facial tissue
- 2 School Box 8 5/8 x 5 3/4 x 2 1/2 clear bottom, tinted top, STERILITE
- 1 boxes of color pencils (12 count)
- 2 bottle of liquid hand sanitizer
- 4 pouches Anti-Bacterial baby wipes
- 2 packets of paper (1 each): Smart Start (Frog Street Press) Story Paper(FST654-T)
- 1 set of thin markers
- 1 fine tip EXPO 4 color set: bk, rd, be, gn
- 1 paint set 16 ct watercolor washable CRAYOLA
- 2 Crayola Giant Marker/Watercolor Pad, 16x12, 25 sheets
- 1 Play-Doh 4pk(3-5 oz) various colors
- 1 purple two-pocket plastic folder with brads
- 1 red two-pocket plastic folder with brads
- 1 yellow two-pocket plastic folder with brads
- 1 pocket accent highlighters, 4 color set: be, oe, pk, yw
- 1 1" blue view binder, round rings
- 1 1" green view binder, round rings
- 1 1" white view binder, round rings
- 1 pack of plastic dividers (5) with tabs (Avery 11200)
- 1 Clipboard Chardboard – letter size

Art:

- Portfolio (12"x18"x2") Star Red Rope without handles, velcro closure
- 24 ct Portfolio Series water soluble oil pastels

SIGHT WORD LIST

the	they	when	out	a	want	good	much
write	find	of	I	be	don't	any	try
your	many	go	long	said	know	around	give
and	at	can	then	them	right	take	must
see	down	number	day	to	green	where	work
this	there	these	no	did	four	away	start
in	have	use	do	way	saw	old	black
get	is	from	an	some	out	am	white
could	come	you	or	each	little	put	goes
her	people	made	that	one	too	pretty	ten
which	would	my	may	it	got	jump	always
had	she	make	then	part	call	after	does
he	by	do	like	first	well	here	drink
was	words	how	him	water	think	off	bring
for	but	their	into	been	stop	cold	once
on	not	If	time	called	today	never	
are	what	will	has	who	fly	seven	
as	all	up	look	oil	myself	new	
with	were	other	two	its	keep	eight	
his	we	about	more	now	round	tell	

MATH COMPUTER GAMES AND PRACTICE SHEETS

Games

<http://www.aplusmath.com/Games>

<http://coolmath.com>

<http://www.playkidsgames.com/mathGames.htm>

<http://gregtangmath.com/games>

<https://www.ixl.com/math/grade-3>

<http://www.mathplayground.com/thinkingblocks.html>

Worksheets

<http://www.math-drills.com>

<http://www.theteachersguide.com/printouts.htm>

<http://www.busyteacherscafe.com/printables.htm>

<http://www.worksheets4teachers.com>

READING WARRIORS

Do you want to keep your child's brain active this summer? Nothing beats summer brain drain better than reading! Your child will love these summer programs that reward children for exercising their imaginations, building their vocabularies, and staying school-ready with books and prizes. Choose a few to help keep your child motivated to read, read, read all summer long.

Every 10 days of reading earns children a free book at the **Dallas Public Library's Smart Summer Program**, and children who read 50 or more days over the summer are eligible for grand prize from community sponsors. Sign up at <https://dallaslibrary2.org/childrensCenter/summerReadingProgram/>.

Barnes and Noble's Summer Reading Journal Program will give you a free book just for reading 8 books of your choice from home, the library, or a bookstore. Visit <https://dispatch.barnesandnoble.com/content/dam/ccr/h/summer-reading/2020/2020/SummerReadingJournal.pdf> to see the selection of great free books by famous authors that your child can earn.

Local Favorite **Half Price Books' Feed Your Brain Program** encourages families to read and to spread the word about reading over social media for the chance to earn prizes. Virtual story times, recommendations, and weekly giveaways can all be found at www.hpb.com/fyb.

Sadly, not every community has access to great books. You can help United Way and Scholastic serve underprivileged communities by participating in the **Scholastic Summer Read-A-Palooza**. For every two days in a row that kids track online, Scholastic will donate 6 books to communities who need them most. Reading makes a difference at <https://www.scholastic.com/site/summer/home.html>.

Watch your inbox this summer for periodic updates from Lakehill Librarian Mrs. Pike with more reading and summer enrichment activities to keep your child's brain active and learning all summer long!

Have fun reading this summer!

—Lakehill's Lower School Teachers

