

Bellingham Public Schools Stall Brook and DiPietro Elementary Schools Summer Learning Activities 2023

Summer vacation provides a great opportunity to practice skills learned over the past school year and to explore new topics.

Summer Reading:

This year we are partnering with the Bellingham Public Library's summer reading program to offer ways to enjoy, practice, and track your student's reading.

The minimum summer reading participation for Stall Brook and DiPietro Elementary Schools is 25 squares on the attached library reading tracker.

Summer Math:

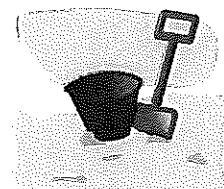
This year our elementary summer math will be going high-tech! Starting the first week in July and going for 8 weeks, watch for a weekly summer math online newsletter with lots of fun summer math activities. If you do not have access to email you can pick up a packet at the public library or at your school office.

The minimum summer math participation for both B.P.S.D elementary schools is to complete a minimum of one activity a week and record it using the attached math tracker. CHALLENGE: Complete 3 or more activities a week!

Please return both your child's completed Summer Reading Minutes Tracker and Summer Math Log to your student's new teacher by Friday, September 15, 2023 to have your picture taken with your school's mascot: Joe Paws or the Stall Brook Stallion.

The Bellingham Public Library resources for summer learning are at:
<https://www.bellinghamma.org/library/kids/pages/summer-reading-program>

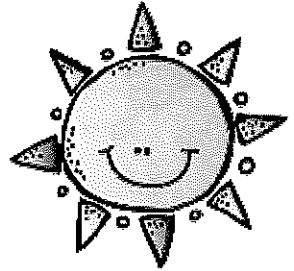
Enjoy your summer!



Bellingham Public Schools Summer 2023 Reading Guidelines

Students Entering Grade 1

We expect that students at this grade level are reading and/or being read to daily throughout the summer months. Here are suggestions for great books that are very popular with kids your child's age. We hope your child will enjoy discovering them and many others this summer. Happy reading!



Suggested Authors and Subjects for This Age Group

Traditional Literature

Fables (ex. *Tortoise and the Hare*, *Fox and the Crow*)

Fairy and Folk Tales (ex. *Cinderella*, *Stone Soup*, *Goldilocks*, *Gingerbread Man*)

Favorite Authors

Mo Willems

Gail Gibbons

Dr. Seuss

Jan Brett

Mac Barnett

Cynthia Rylant

Kevin Henkes

Eric Carle

Jory John

Favorite Series

Elephant & Piggie by Mo Willems

Pete the Cat by Eric Litwin & James Dean

Fly Guy by Tedd Arnold

Froggy by Jonathan London

Llama Llama by Anna Dewdney

Arthur by Marc Brown

Good Titles to Read To Your Child

Abuela by Arthur Dorros

Blackout by John Rocco

Yoko Writes Her Name by Rosemary Wells

How Rocket Learned to Read by Tad Hills

How to Be a Lion by Ed Vere

The Day You Begin by Jacqueline Woodson

Science and Social Studies Topics Studied in Grades K and 1

Community Workers

Seasons of the Year

Celebrations and Customs

Animals and Plants

Five Senses

Motion and Forces

Light and Sound

Sun and Moon

Rocks, Water and Soil

Weather

Student Name: _____

Grade for 2023-2024 School Year: _____

School Name: _____

Stall Brook and DiPietro Elementary Schools Summer Reading Minutes Tracker

(Please note that this tracker can be used if you enroll in the summer reading program offered through the Bellingham Public Library.)

- Color in a square for every 15 minutes you read this summer.
- 25 squares colored in counts as your school's summer reading assignment.
- Bring your grid to the Bellingham Public Library over the summer if you can participate in their incentive program.
- Return your reading grid to school with your math calendar by September 15 to be counted towards your picture with your school's mascot
- Want a challenge? Aim for 40 squares or more!

At the beginning of the school year bring this page in to get credit for completing summer math and a picture with Joe Paws or the Stall Brook Stallion!