

## ***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:**

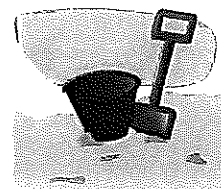
This year our elementary summer math will be going high-tech! Starting the first week in July and going for 8 weeks, watch for a weekly summer math online newsletter with lots of fun summer math activities. If you do not have access to email you can pick up a packet at the public library or at your school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

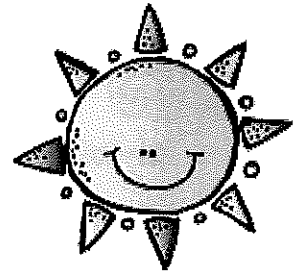
## ***Enjoy your summer!***



## Bellingham Public Schools Summer 2023 Reading Guidelines

### Students Entering Grade 2

We expect that students at this grade level are reading and/or being read to 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 Folktales (ex. *Cinderella*, *Stone Soup*, *Goldilocks*, *Gingerbread Man*)

Tall Tales (ex. *Paul Bunyan*, *John Henry*, *Davy Crockett*, *Sally Ann Thunder*, *Pecos Bill*)

#### Popular Early Readers Series

*Katie Fry* by Vanessa Brantley Newton

*Rafi and Rosi* by Lulu Delacre

*Mr. Putter & Tabby* by Cynthia Rylant

*Young Cam Jansen* by David Adler

*Bad Guys* by Aaron Blabey

*Mercy Watson* by Kate DiCamillo

*Owl Diaries/Unicorn Diaries*

by Rebecca Elliott

*Julian and Huey* books by Ann Cameron

*Diary of a Pug* by Kyla May

*Ballpark Mysteries* by David A. Kelly: (*The Fenway Foul-Up* is #1)

#### Popular Chapter Books Series

*Alvin Ho* by Lenore Look

*James Toguchi* series by Debbi M. Florence

*Yasmin* by Saadia Farqui

*Lola Levine* by Monica Brown

*Clubhouse Mysteries* by Sharon M. Draper

*Jada Jones* by Kelly Starling Lyons

*Dyamonde Daniel* by Nikki Grimes

*Sherlock Sam* by A.J. Low

*My Weird School* by Dan Gutman

*Zoey and Sassafras* by Asia Citro

#### Science and Social Studies Topics Studied in Grades 1 and 2

Customs around the World

Animal Adaptations/Habitats

Continents/Maps

Weather

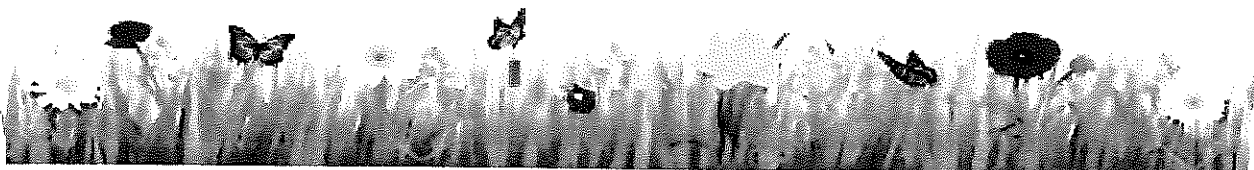
Leadership and Citizenship

Motion and Forces

Light and Heat

Plants

Rocks, Water, and Soil



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!