



Summer Reading Challenge

Dear Families,

Summer is almost here and for most people that means travel, camp, pools and relaxation! What better way to spend your free time than to read the day away!

This summer we will be challenging every student to read as much as they can and to read stronger and longer! Research shows that the single best way to improve a child's reading is to read and read for a sustained period. Children need to read "just right" books in order to read stronger and longer.

Attached to this letter is a copy of a reading log to help your child keep track of his/her reading during the summer months. Each child should keep a log of the pages they read. Older students created a digital log before leaving for summer break. After a book is finished, add it to the log sheet. This log allows your child to write the title and the number of pages of the book they read. Try keeping the paper log in the same place so hopefully it won't get lost! If you should run out of room, you can print additional ones by going to the school's website.

At the end of the summer you and your child should count all the pages he/she has read for a grand total. The reading logs will be turned in to your child's new teacher the first week of school along with a final total of pages read. Please be sure to include your child's name, new grade, and teacher.

At the Summer Challenge Assembly during the start of the new school year, we will celebrate the participants and count up all of our pages to see if we met our Summer Reading goal. See the following page for more information regarding goals and prizes!

We hope you will consider being part of this fun and motivating program that will help keep your child's reading skills growing and improving during the summer months!

Happy Reading!

Sincerely,

The St. Paul Teachers





Pages for Prizes!

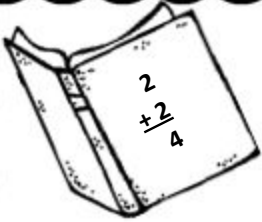
Individual Prizes: Incoming students in grades K-4, for every 100 pages read, your name will be put into a drawing for a prize. So, if you read 500 pages, your name will go into the drawing 5 times. The more you read, the more you increase your chances of winning a prize! Incoming students in grades 5-8, will get their name put in for every 200 pages they read.

Grade Level Prizes: Each grade level has a goal. If the class reaches their goal, they will be recognized at the Summer Challenge Assembly and receive an Ice Cream Party.

Whole School Prize: If the entire school reaches their goal of 133,000 pages read, the entire student body will receive a day of Fun-Filled Activities.

Grade	Class Goal
Kindergarten	5,000
First	9,000
Second	8,000
Third	16,000
Fourth	10,000
Fifth	10,000
Sixth	25,000
Seventh	30,000
Eighth	20,000





Summer Math Challenge

This summer we are kicking off our second Summer Math Challenge!

We are going to use the IXL Summer Math Boost - a preset list of twenty skills that are a great review of this year's content. All of our students have used the IXL platform this year and are familiar with how to use the program.

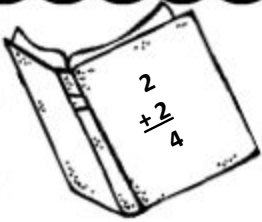
Attached you will find your student's login information for IXL. Once they have successfully logged in, your child will go to LEARNING, SKILL PLANS and then IXL PLANS. The Summer Math Boost has been pinned for your child.

The IXL Summer Math Boost has a total of 20 skills for the students to complete to a smartscore of an 80 spread over the summer. The Summer boost is set up with 20 schools over 4 weeks but we want the students to spread it out and do 2 of the skills each week over the summer. Because studies show retention of facts is best when the skills are practiced each week, students completing all of the skills at the beginning of summer or end of the summer would not be eligible to receive a prize for each of the weeks. It is our goal that students follow the weekly schedule of completing two skills per week. All students will be allowed a week pass for vacation/camp and will not be penalized during that weekly check.

In order to encourage the kids to keep up their skills, we have developed the following award system:

1. All participants - will receive a pencil.
1. Weekly checks (Mrs. Eibel will complete a weekly check.) - any week that a student completes 2 skills they will receive prizes from a large selection of items (1 prize for each completed week). See weekly check dates on the back.
1. Completion Prize - anyone who completes ALL 20 SKILLS from the Boost will receive an out of uniform pass, to be used on a date approved by his/her homeroom teacher.
1. Grand Prize Drawing - all students who complete all weekly checks will be entered into a drawing for one of two \$50 gift cards to their choice of location.





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Weekly Checks

Week	Dates to Work on IXL	Check-In Date
One	June 3 - 8, 2024	June 9, 2024
Two	June 10 - 15, 2024	June 16, 2024
Three	June 17 - 22, 2024	June 25, 2024
Four	June 24 - 29, 2024	June 30, 2024
Five	July 1 - 6, 2024	July 7, 2024
Six	July 8 - 13, 2024	July 14, 2024
Seven	July 15 - 20, 2024	July 21, 2024
Eight	July 22 - 27, 2024	July 28, 2024
Nine	July 29 - August 3, 2024	August 4, 2024
Ten	August 4 - 10, 2024	August 11, 2024

Remember - Just 2 Skills per week to a smartscore of 80!



