



Dear Parents and Guardians,

Your child has worked hard all year and is ready for first grade. Learning should not end during the summer. That is why your child will be asked to practice skills learned this year.

Please have your child read as often as possible. They should read both fiction and non-fiction books. **Your child will be asked to complete two reading responses on fiction books. The responses can be completed on the attached forms and handed in during the first week of school. They also have a Math packet of 5 worksheets to complete.**

Here are some optional activities that will help maintain the learning accomplished this year:

- Practice the sounds of each letter of the alphabet. Play a game where you ask your child to tell you the beginning and/or ending sound in a word
- Create rhyme families - see how many words your child can make (Ex: cat mat fat etc)
- Have your child keep a writing notebook. They can draw pictures and write sentences using “invented spelling”
- Give them opportunities to practice writing their first and last name, letters and numbers to strengthen handwriting skills
- Play BINGO to help your child recognize numbers
- Make flash cards of addition and subtraction facts to 10
- Some free websites to practice skills are:  
[teachyourmonstertoread.com](http://teachyourmonstertoread.com)  
[starfall.com](http://starfall.com)  
[abcya.com](http://abcya.com)  
[splashlearn.com](http://splashlearn.com)

Have a safe and fun summer! We'll see you in September.

Grade 1 Teachers