



## Sheridan Hills Christian School

### Summer Practice

Dear Parent,

Research studies have shown that during an extended summer vacation, students may lose an average of 2.6 months' worth of knowledge. Now that students are out of school for the summer, it is critically important to continue fostering the habit of reading and learning at home.

At SHCS, we seek to instill in each student a love of reading to cultivate lifelong learning. Reading gives students an understanding of the world around them and glimpses into different realms and periods of time. Students who read daily develop higher writing and speech abilities.

Summer practice also includes a mathematics review. The work is to be completed over the summer vacation. With your help and motivation, your child will complete this practice a little each week. **Daily reading is optimal and your child should practice math at least two to three times per week.**

We pray you will have a safe and wonderful summer vacation!

In His Service,  
SHCS Lower School Administration



## Entering Grade 2 – Summer Reading

Students entering 2nd Grade are strongly encouraged to read 1.5–2 hours per week throughout the summer. The following is a short list of recommended books your child might enjoy.

Students may also practice reading skills by accessing their accounts on **Renaissance (AR)**, where you can monitor your child's independent reading practice with *Accelerated Reader*. Another resource for students to practice reading during summer is **MindPlay Virtual Reading Coach**. Student login information for *MindPlay* is the child's full first name and last name initial (ex. henryx) and the password is *shcs1234*.

<i>Suggested Reading Options</i>	<i>Author</i>
<i>Benjamin West and His Cat Grimalkin</i>	<i>Henry &amp; Davis</i>
<i>The Chalk Box Kid</i>	<i>Clyde Robert Bulla</i>
<i>A Grain of Rice</i>	<i>Helena Clare Pittman</i>
<i>In Grandma's Attic</i>	<i>Arleta Richardson</i>
<i>My Father's Dragon</i>	<i>Ruth Stiles Gannet</i>

## Entering Grade 2 – Summer Math Practice

It is important to keep your student's math skills sharp over the summer months. Mathematics is a subject in which new skills and procedures build on previously learned material.

To best prepare students for the coming year and to help them maintain mastery of skills already learned, incoming first graders should complete summer math practice online at [KhanAcademy.org](https://www.khanacademy.org) for at least **two hours per week**. Please help your child set up an account (no teacher code needed) and have them practice grade-level skills. This practice will help your student gain a strong understanding of math skills and become better equipped to learn more advanced math concepts in 2nd grade.