



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 4 – Summer Reading

Students entering 4th Grade are strongly encouraged to read 2 - 3 hours per week throughout the summer. Each student must choose **one book from the Required Reading options below**. Students must **closely read** the novel and be prepared to **complete an assignment during the first week of school**, which will count as their **first test grade** for Quarter 1.

| <i>Required Reading Options (choose one book)</i> | <i>Author</i> |
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| <i>Black Beauty</i> | <i>Anna Sewell</i> |
| <i>Five Little Peppers and How They Grew</i> | <i>Margaret Sidney</i> |

*****The teacher will explain the requirements for the reading assignment on the first day of school.***

Entering Grade 4 – 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. We believe that to best prepare students for the coming year and to help them maintain mastery of skills already learned, each student should complete summer math practice online at [KhanAcademy.org](https://www.khanacademy.org) for at least two–three 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 4th grade.