

Incoming grade

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

At New Foundations Charter School we believe it is important and necessary for students to practice their math and reading skills over the summer. In order for students to be successful in the next school year, they must retain their comprehension of mathematical concepts and basic facts, as well as maintain their love of reading. We know families tend to be busy over the summer, and we want our students to have fun! As a result, we have designed our summer work to be meaningful as well as flexible enough to be completed by their due dates. *Please note that the due date of all summer work is the first day of school.*

The summer assignments vary by grade level, so please be sure to read through the attached letter(s) and directions from the teacher(s). In general, the goals of the summer assignments are as follows:

- To help maintain and improve comprehension, fluency and critical thinking
- To build student confidence in mathematics
- To emphasize the importance of math in our students' lives now and in the future
- To encourage recreational reading for all readers of all abilities
- To help maintain and improve comprehension, fluency, and critical thinking
- To generate and maintain interests in reading
- To emphasize the importance and value of reading for pleasure

Remember, you can foster your child's number sense by pointing out and interacting with examples around the house such as clocks, loose change and even cereal boxes. A quick math fact or skip counting game can be a fun way to fill time anywhere! You can also take time to read with your child regardless of grade level. Reading as a family is a rewarding and valuable activity!

Thank you for supporting our Summer Reading and Math Programs. Attached you will find your child's NFCS Summer Math and Reading assignments, in addition to some great ideas to keep learning about music, technology, foreign language, art, and even keeping fit over the summer! Please remember that these assignments are due in to your child's teacher on the first day of school.

Sincerely,

Ms. Shira Woolf Cohen, Principal

PLEASE COMPLETE, DETACH AND RETURN THE PORTION BELOW TO ACKNOWLEDGE YOUR RECEIPT OF THIS LETTER AND THE SUMMER MATH AND READING ASSIGNMENTS

Child's Name _____ Class _____

- I have read the letter regarding the NFCS Summer Math and Reading Programs
- I have reviewed the Summer Math and Reading Assignments
- I understand that the assignments are due the first day of school

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Date _____

Summer Reading Assignments

Assignment #1 - Choose one book to complete a poster/presentation

- ✓ The project must be completed on a white poster board (28 x 22)
- ✓ Students should include the parts of a story using pictures or drawings:
 - Characters (picture and label)
 - Setting (picture and label)
 - Beginning (one sentence), Middle (one sentence), and End (one sentence)
 - Title, Author, Illustrator
 - Favorite part of the story (one sentence)

My poster includes:

- ✓ The title, author, and illustrator of the story.
- ✓ The characters are illustrated (drawn, colored, printed) and labeled.
- ✓ The setting is illustrated and labeled.
- ✓ My poster includes one sentence summarizing the beginning of the story, one sentence summarizing the middle of the story, and one sentence summarizing the end of the story.
- ✓ My poster includes one sentence summarizing my favorite part of the story.
- ✓ I am able to share and explain my poster and book aloud to my classmates.

Assignment #2 - "Beginning, Middle, End" Graphic Organizer

- ✓ Students must complete the attached "Beginning, middle, end" graphic organizer based on one of the books they have read from the book list. Please write one complete sentence for the beginning, one complete sentence for the middle, and one complete sentence for the end. Remember to check for capitals and periods.



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Summer Reading – Incoming 1st Grade

Incoming 1st grade students are required to read a total of TWO books.

Parents are encouraged to read with their child and discuss the stories as they read.

Your child may choose any TWO books from the following list.
Some books are short chapter books; others are picture books.
There will be TWO reading assignments, one to be completed for each chosen book.
Please refer to the summer packet.

Little Bear (series) by Else Holmelund Minarek

Frog and Toad (series) by Arnold Lobel

Flat Stanley (series) by Jeff Brown

Poppleton (series) Cynthia Rylant

Elephant and Piggie (series) Mo Willems

Fly Guy (series) by Ted Arnold

No. David (series) David Shannon

Fancy Nancy (series) by Jane O'Connor

Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus (series) by Mo Willems

Pinkalicious (series) by Elizabeth and Victoria Kanne

Mercy Watson (series) by Kate DiCamillo

Mr. Putter and Tabby (series) by Cynthia Rylant

Name: _____

Date: _____

Beginning...Middle...End

Title: _____

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In the middle...

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In the end...

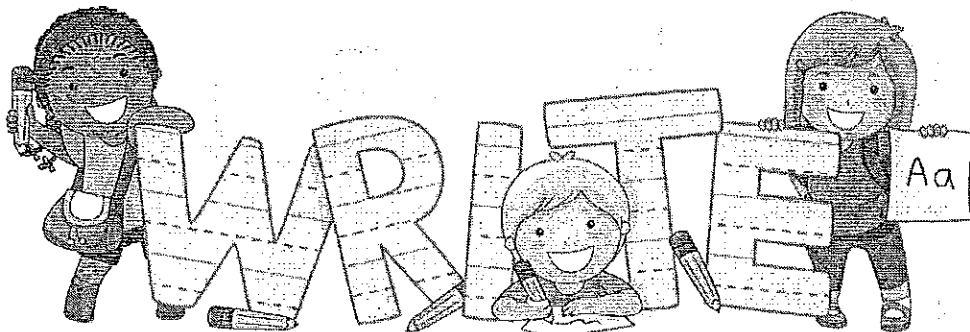
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Summer Stories

Each child is responsible for completing five journal entries. The entries should describe some of the fun and exciting things that your child has been doing this summer! Each journal entry should be approximately 3 sentences long. Please write in the beginning of the journal labeled "writing." Your child may use up to 2-3 pages per entry. We can't wait to read about your super summer! Your child will be assessed based on the following checklist.

Below are the requirements:

- ✓ My journal page has the date written at the top.
- ✓ I have written 3 sentences about my summer vacation.
- ✓ I have double-checked for capital letters, periods, and neat handwriting.
- ✓ I have included a detailed illustration about what I wrote.
- ✓ I have included 5 entries in my journal.



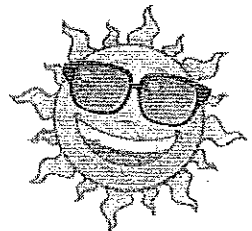
Summer Math Assignment

- ✓ Attached are two calendars with daily math activities. Please have your child choose five activities per month (five in July; five in August) to complete in the math section of their journal (back of journal, labeled "math"). There should be only one math activity per page. Your child will be assessed based on the completion of the following checklist.

Below are the requirements:

- ✓ Choose your activity and color in the day on the calendar.
- ✓ In the math section of the journal, label the top of each page with the date of your chosen activity.
- ✓ Draw a picture illustrating your work.
- ✓ Write on complete sentence explaining your answer.
- ✓ By the end of the summer, your child should have completed ten math activities in the math section of their journal. Please include the July and August calendars with your child's journal.

Attached are addition fact flash cards for your child. They can be cut out and used to practice weekly. The website abcya.com is also a great resource for first grade math games. Students can practice their basic math skill while having fun!



July, 2018 Daily Math Activities

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 How many days are in the month of July? Name another month that has the same number of days.	2 Write a story problem for the sum of $8 + 8$.	3 How many wheels are on the bikes and cars at your house?	4 Write numbers from 1 to 50.	5 Draw a square and a triangle. Tell what is the same and what is different about the two shapes.	6 Draw a picture using a square, a triangle, and a circle.	7 List the ages of your family members. Who is the oldest/youngest?
8 Illustrate the number 18 with pictures, numbers, or words.	9 Make number sentences that equal 10. Example: $(1+9=10)$ Can you make all 12?	10 Order these numbers from least to greatest. 30, 25, 20, 15, 10, 5	11 Draw and label a picture showing how many teachers teach first grade.	12 Today is Thursday, July 14 th . What day will it be in five days?	13 Skip count by 10's to 50	14 How many objects in your house are shaped like a sphere? Draw and label them.
15 Write a number sentence for the problem $7 + 2 =$.	16 You have twenty apples. Make tally marks for the number of apples.	17 Draw four shapes in a row. First draw a circle, then a rectangle, then a triangle, then a square.	18 Write a number sentence and draw a picture for the fact $2 + 4 =$	19 Find objects in your house that are shapes like a square.	20 Cinderella did the laundry at 2:00pm. Draw an analog clock to show the time.	21 Jack is ten years old. Jill is eight years old. Who is younger? Write a complete sentence to explain your answer.
22 Jack and Jill went to fetch a pail of water at 8:00am. Draw an analog clock to show the time.	23 Draw a house using four rectangles, one triangle, and one circle.	24 In the Three Billy Goats Gruff, there were three goats. How many legs did they have altogether? Draw your answer.	25 You saw four cats. How many legs were there in all?	26 What is the sum of $9+3$ Write a number story.	27 Write the months of the year. Tally the birthdays of people in your family for each month.	28 What will be the date five days from today?
29 How many letters are in your first and last name?	30 How many toes does your family have? How do you know?	31 Write a story problem for the sum of $9+4$.				

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