



Summer Reading 2018

Summer reading maintains reading skills gained over the year and creates common ground with classmates for the new school year. Please find your child's entering grade below.

Note: Pre-K through Senior Kindergarten students have required reading for Science but none required for Homeroom

Pre-Kindergarten

Science: *I Love Our Earth*, by Bill Martin, Jr. and Michael Sampson

Junior Kindergarten

Science: *Over in the Ocean in a Coral Reef* by Marianne Berkes

Senior Kindergarten

Science: 1. *Animals Born Alive and Well* by Ruth Heller
2. *Explore My World: A Tree Grows Up* by Marfe Ferguson Delano

Grade 1

Homeroom: Teachers recommend that students entering Grade 1 read a variety of books with their parents throughout the summer months. Suggestions include:

- Dr. Seuss books
- *Clifford* books by Norman Bridwell
- Bob Books (beginning levels)
- Level I and II books in the *I Can Read* series
- *Mother Goose* nursery rhymes

Science: 1. *National Geographic Readers: Frogs* (Level 1)
2. *National Geographic Readers: Planets* by Elizabeth Carney

Note: Grade 2-5 students must bring their books with them on the first day of school.

Grade 2

Homeroom: Students entering Grade 2 must read **2 chapter books of their choice**.

Science: 1. *Crab Moon* by Ruth Horowitz
2. *Break Out at the Bug Lab* by Ruth Horowitz

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Grade 3

Homeroom: Students entering Grade 3 must read the following books:

1. *Where Did Your Family Come From?* by Melvin Berger
2. *Ellis Island* by Elaine Landau

Grade 4

Homeroom: Students entering Grade 4 must read:

1. Chapter book of student choice
2. *The Castle in the Attic* by Elizabeth Winthrop

Bring both books with you on the first day of school,.

Grade 5

Homeroom: Students entering Grade 5 must read the following books:

1. *Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH* by Robert C. O'Brien
2. *Holes* by Louis Sachar

Read and bring your novels to class, along with the completed reading assignment that you will receive from the 5th Grade teachers in June.

Spanish (Sra Arconada's students):

Read and write a summary of the book assigned to you by Sra. Arconada. Bring both the book and your summary to class during the first week of school.

Want more?

Find recommended books on the SSEDS Library page "[Helpful Links for Parents.](#)"

Recommended for Parents:

1. **PK-SK Parents:** *On Becoming Preschool Wise: Optimizing Educational Outcomes, What Preschoolers Need to Learn* by Gary Ezzo & Robert Bucknam
2. *Parenting With Love And Logic* by Foster Cline & Jim Fay
3. *Mindset: The New Psychology of Success* by Carol Dweck
4. *Grit: The Power of Passion and Perseverance* by Angela Duckworth

HAPPY SUMMER READING!



Dear Parent/Guardian,

St. Stephen's Episcopal Day School will continue to use DreamBox Learning's Math Program, an online, Intelligent Adaptive Learning(tm) program that helps all students achieve better, faster math proficiency.

Your student can access DreamBox Learning from any computer, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week using this link:
<https://play.dreambox.com/login/d2q6/stseds>

During the summer, we hope that students continue to use it as a review/enrichment tool. Students are asked to complete at least 5 hours on DreamBox. Of course, 5 hours is the minimal amount of time but feel free to use it as much as you see fit. Those completing 10 hours or more will get a surprise at the beginning of the school year.

To access DreamBox on iPad:



1. Go to the Apple Store

2. Search for "DreamBox Math"



3. Select update to Install both DreamBox Math apps (Green & Blue)

4. When prompted in the app, use this School Code: d2q6/stseds

5. Once logged in, look for your 2017-2018 homeroom teacher and find your child's name. (**New Students find the icon Mrs. Finlay class**)

On a **computer** you could go through our **symbaloo page on our School Website** and click on the **Dreambox Icon**.

Review your student's academic progress with a DreamBox Parent Account. Please follow these steps to create your free Parent Account:

1. Go to <https://play.dreambox.com/login/d2q6/stseds>

2. Have your student login to their profile just as they would at school.

Incoming Kinder and 1st

Username- First name and first letter of their last name (some students it is more than one letter of their last name)

Password- The students have already picked a picture icon.

Incoming 2nd grade

Username-First name and first letter of their last name (some students it is more than one letter of their last name)

Password- sseds3

Incoming 3rd grade

Username- First name and first letter of their last name (some students it is more than one letter of their last name)

Password- your child's animal and year

Incoming 4th, and 5th graders

Username- student email

Password- your child's animal and year

New Students

Username- First name and first letter of their last name

Password - sseds3

3. Click Setup Parent Access at the bottom of the page.
4. Follow instructions to create a new login and password.
5. Read Terms of Use and Privacy Policy.
6. Click "Submit".

Log into your home account after set up:

1. Go to <http://play.dreambox.com>
2. Enter your email address and password.
3. To see student progress, click the "Family Dashboard" button.

If you have any questions on username and password email me at tfinlay@sseds.org for other problems please contact DreamBox Client Care by calling them at [877-451-7845](tel:877-451-7845) (weekdays 7am to 5pm, Pacific Time), or email support@dreambox.com.

Sincerely,

Tere Finlay
Math Coach