

## Entering 4th, 5th, and 6th Optional Summer Work

### Reading-Optional suggestions:

- Moby Max Reading Skills Literature (Every 20 minutes earns a point up to 5 pts.)
- Students entering 4th - 6th grades will be given an **optional book to read** over the summer. Students will be allowed to use their book as their first fiction reading room grade for the first nine week period. They will also be given **5 bonus points** if they successfully pass the test.
- **Fourth Grade-** *Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing* by Judy Blume
- **Fifth Grade-** *The Borrowers* by Mary Norton
- **Sixth Grade-** *The Best School Year Ever* by Barbara Robinson
- Students who complete the Summer Reading Program through the Iberia Parish Public Library will celebrate with an ice cream party the first week back at school. Students will need to bring their certificate to Mrs. Meaux, school librarian.
- Below is the link for parents/grandparents to sign up children for a library card

<https://iberialibrary.org/wp/wp-content/uploads/Library-Card-Juvenile-Registration.pdf>

### Math-Optional suggestions:

- Moby Max Math Fact Fluency (earn a point for every 10 min up to 4 pts)
- Moby Max Math (every 20 minutes earn a point up to 6 pts.)  
OR
- Zearn.org lessons (entering 5th/6th graders with a current account for my class-up to 6 points.) \*\*NOTE:Up to 10 total points can be earned.\*\*

For issues with Moby Max (log in issues, need a username), Zearn.org or math related questions please contact Heather Romero at [hromero@hbcnsni.org](mailto:hromero@hbcnsni.org).

### History-Optional

Visit DOGO News. It presents current events and news in a fun and easy way for kids to understand.

### Science-Optional

- Science Bob is a cool website with instructions for all sorts of cool science experiments to keep your kids engaged.  
<https://sciencebob.com/category/science-qa/>
- Elearning for kids can be used for science and math. Simply choose the portal from the home screen. <https://www.e-learningforkids.org/>

## Here are a few creative ways to encourage kids to read:

- Have an electronics-free hour each day when everyone reads
- Encourage kids to research fun topics they want to learn about
- Take turns reading pages aloud with a child
- Challenge children to a summer read-a-thon with small rewards or prizes for each book read or for reaching a certain number of books read
- Remind kids to consider nonfiction books when learning how to do something new such as building a birdhouse, sewing, fixing a car, or caring for animals, among other fun and useful skills
- Add writing practice to the reading and other learning activities by asking children to write about what they learned each week.

## Ways a Parent Can Help With Math

- Divide and Check a problem a day. Use will use all the operations.
- Look for shapes and patterns in real life.
- Have your child measure ingredients.
- Ask your child to explain what he or she is working on in math.
- Ask your child to explain how they got the answer to a math problem.
- Help your child find some appropriate number and problem solving games to play online.
- Play board or card games that involve counting patterns.
- Ask your child to count change or estimate the total cost while shopping.
- Compare which is the tallest?
  - ...the heaviest?, ...the longest?,...the smallest?,...the fastest?,...the hottest?,...the most expensive?
- Have tools such as a ruler, a scale, a calculator, or a measuring tape to use around your home.
- Encourage your child to track or graph stats for a favorite sports team.
- Use dice or cards to make a game out of practicing math facts.

## Things parents can do to help their children while at home this summer:

- Set up a daily family routine, including healthy eating and sleeping habits
- Talk each day with your child about his/her activities
- Promote literacy by reading to your child and by reading yourself
- Limit and monitor TV watching, gaming, social media and computer time
- Express high expectations and standards for your child's learning
- Tap into community resources with visits to a library, museum, zoo or theater and encourage participation in after-school clubs, sports and art activities
- When the opportunity arises, talk to your child about historical and current events.