



## RUMSEY HALL SCHOOL Summer 2018 Reading & Math Lower School

We feel it is important that students continue to read and work on their math skills over the summer months. Throughout the summer, students should achieve the following goals:

### **Complete their *Summer Math Skills Sharpener* book and bring the completed book back on the first day of school.**

- This program is meant to be used 3 - 4 times per week for 10 weeks so that students are exposed to important concepts all summer. Each day's work should take about 20-30 minutes to complete.
- Parent Note: Each book includes tutorial help pages for students and parents to review. Please be sure to look over the "Instructions for Parents" page and don't forget to check their work as you go (you might also want to pull the answer pages out of your child's book for your reference).

### **Visit your local libraries, raid your family book shelves, and head to your local bookstores to create your own mountain of books for the summer.**

- Read your grade level in chapter books (Primes-2 books, 1st Form-3 books, etc.)
- Read at least one "Award Winning" book (any year, any award) and come back ready to talk about the book and give us a little background about the award.
- Another aspect you might want to embrace is our "One School-One Theme" summer reading initiative in which all the students will take part. During the Summer Reading Celebration, teachers will read aloud a refugee-themed picture book for discussion, and the topic will be explored during the first weeks of school in each classroom. Links for suggested refugee-themed books are below.
- Keep track of your summer reading on our Summer Reading Log and bring it on the first day of school. A mixture of read aloud, independent reading books, and audiobooks can be recorded on the Summer Reading Log.
- Be prepared to share/talk about some of your summer reading during our Summer Reading Celebration.
- Optional Activity: Send Mrs. DiLorenzo a postcard about a book you are reading over summer break. Mrs. D. will create a display in the library of all the postcards she is sent by students and teachers throughout the summer.

Whatever books the students choose to read, we will once again celebrate our summer reading in classrooms through a variety of fun activities when we return from our summer break. We hope you all enjoy a summer filled with exciting times, both inside and outside the pages of books.

#### **Refugee Book Suggestion Links**

[Publishers Weekly](#)  
[Read Brightly](#)  
[Institute for Humane Education](#)

#### **Award Winning Book Links**

[Nutmeg Book Award](#)  
[National Book Award](#)  
[Newbery Award](#)  
[Caldecott Award](#)  
[Children's' Choice Award](#)  
[Laura Ingalls Wilder Award](#)  
[Hans Christian Andersen Award](#)  
[Michael L. Printz Award](#)



[Golden Kite Award](#)  
[Coretta Scott King Award](#)  
[Theodor Seuss Geisel Award](#)  
[Pura Belpre Award](#)  
[Mildred L. Batchelder Award](#)  
[Schneider Family Award](#)  
[Charlotte Zolotow Award](#)  
[Bank Street College Irma Black Award](#)