

SUMMER IDEAS FOR YOUR KINDERGARTNER!

- Read to your child and have your child read to you.
- Visit the public library, ask about their summer reading program, and get your child his or her own library card. Check out books on a weekly basis and encourage your child to read independently.
- Practice reading and writing word wall/sight words. You can even use sidewalk chalk to write words outside!
- Have your child keep a journal and write about the fun things he/she does over the summer. Remind your child to use brave spelling and clear spaces.
- Encourage daily writing at home. Some ideas include writing a grocery list, schedule of daily events, letters to friends and family, or sending an email to your teacher! My email address is krzesina@wilmette39.org and I love mail! Keep a dialogue journal with your kindergartner. Write something to them (What do you want for dinner?) and have him/her respond to you!
- Practice writing word family lists (_at, _an words). Ask your child to tell you words that rhyme.
- Continue to practice handwriting skills (letters and numbers). You can practice handwriting using a variety of apps on an iPad.
- Practice counting by 2s, 5s, 10s, and 1s.
- Practice naming, sorting, and counting coins.
- Practice simple addition and subtraction. Use counters to help your child if needed.
- Visit the kindergarten and first grade classroom websites for learning links and app ideas.