

Summer Skills for Kindergarten

It is important to practice and review the prekindergarten skills during the summer. Much will be forgotten over the summer if you do not spend a few minutes each day keeping skills fresh. The skills listed below are part of the prekindergarten curriculum, and should be in place at the beginning of kindergarten.

- Say whole, real name
- Say phone number, including area code
- Say address — zip code optional
- Say birthday - month and date
- Recite (not sing) the alphabet without skipping any letters
- Recognize and identify upper and lower case letters, out of sequence
- Identify the basic eight colors
- Identify the four basic shapes — circle, square, triangle, rectangle
- Count by rote to at least 20
- Accurately count objects to 10
- Recognize and identify numbers 0 — 12

- Say the days of the week in proper order
- Put on and take off coats and jackets
- Zip and unzip bookbag

These skills will be reviewed and evaluated early in the school year. It will be beneficial to your child if most or all of these skills are in place. Thank you for your help. Remember, five or ten minutes a day can make a world of difference.

Your child should also spend time running, climbing, jumping, skipping, and enjoying large motor play.

Coloring, cutting, drawing, tearing, and gluing are wonderful ways to build fine motor skills.

Build language skills by reading to your child and discussing what was read.

Have a wonderful summer. We are looking forward to seeing you in August for a brand new school year.

Mrs. Brannon