



Hello Flynn Families and Friends,

We are finishing an unprecedented school year. Everyone has worked so hard to continue learning while at home. Words alone cannot express our appreciation for your dedication! As families settle into summer, we hope that you keep reading as part of your daily routine. Research tells us that daily reading is the most effective way to maintain reading skills. The easiest way to keep up your child's reading skills is simply setting aside time every day (like at bedtime) for reading.

Incorporating reading into your summer routine doesn't have to be a big production. As the summer begins, we are providing an *optional* activity to help families encourage ongoing daily reading. A **Flynn Summer Reading Log** is enclosed to motivate your child's summer reading progress. As you will notice, there are no prizes attached with it due to our current situation. We will celebrate students' hard work (as appropriate and as guidelines allow) when we are all back together again! Stay tuned!

Here are some other fun and easy ways to keep reading in your routine:

- Pack a bag of books, blankets, and snacks and read under the shade of big tree.
- Access books and read-alouds at the Flynn library page and the ECASD At Home Learning tab.
- Find a new recipe (like one for a delicious summer smoothie) to make together.
- Have your child write your grocery list.
- When watching TV, turn on the Closed Captioning so your child can read along to the show.
- Start a series of books together and take turn reading to each other. See how many books in the series you can read over the summer.
- Help your child start a blog or journal to write about the things he/she does in the summer.
- Find directions for making a craft or project.

Hopefully, this book (which may be kept by your child) will help excite him/her about reading this summer, and it can be used to jumpstart your summer reading routine. We hope that you get to use this break to enjoy many of the fun things that come with summer-including READING! We have missed you, Flynn Flyers!

Happy Reading!

*The Teachers and Staff at Flynn*

