

LITERACY IN LIMESTONE

JUNE



Supporting Students' Literacy Skills in July & August

avoiding the **SUMMER SLIDE**

The “summer slide” refers to the learning loss that can happen when children are out of school for an extended period, like during summer break. Without regular practice, students – especially in reading and math – can lose some of the progress they made during the school year.

The good news is that even small, fun learning activities at home—like reading together, playing word games, or exploring nature—can help keep skills sharp and make the transition back to school smoother in the fall.

How families can help:

Read together daily – visit your local library to sign out books to read. KFPL often has summer reading challenges to inspire daily reading!

Play board games – games like Scrabble, Boggle, or Guess Who help to build language skills.

Cook together – reading recipes and measuring ingredients builds reading and math skills, and is a great memory-making activity to do together.

Write letters or postcards – to friends, family, or even fictional characters!

When away from home...

Talk about your surroundings – describe what you see, hear, and do during outings. Ask questions and find out the answers!

Listen to audiobooks or podcasts – perfect for bus or car rides, or for quiet time during the day.

Keep a summer journal/travel log – have your child write or draw about places you visit during the summer.

Resources:

[Literacy Glossary](#)

[UFLI Home Support](#)

[Curriculum Guide](#)