

# The Park School



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Dear Families,

Happy Summer!

As many of you are aware, we are in the midst of an extensive Math Curriculum and Instructional Review and Renewal process with an expected completion in the spring of 2020. Pursuing a curiosity around Lower and Middle Division summer math work, we would like to offer a variety of options to share with you. In the fall, look for a survey to share your feedback about these math resources and your child's experience with summer math.

If the traditional math calendar is something that your child has enjoyed or that you have found to be an effective way of keeping math concepts sharp, please continue using that tool. Otherwise, please feel free to experiment with any of the options below.

1. **Bring [this story list](#) to your local library.** You'll see a list of books that can be searched by grade and topic. (cost = free)
2. **Visit [this online workbook, Math Playground, for Grades 1-6.](#)** You'll find 69 card games for practicing specific math skills. A table of contents labels the games by skill and by grade. This is a K-8 resource, yet mostly K-5 games. (cost = free)
3. **Purchase a [Mad For Math Workbook](#),** a summer refresher option using this approximately 50 page book. Each book is filled with stories of math challenges for students. Themes include: Grade 1-2 (Enchanted Forest), Grade 2 (Enchanted Forest), Grade 3 (Fairytale Land), Grade 4 (Wizard School), Grade 5 (Spy) (cost = \$7 - \$10 each)
4. **Purchase [this summer Math Workbook](#),** aligned to national math standards and designed for four days per week during the summer weeks. Visiting the website will provide you with a preview. Many of the tools and resources in the books, including ten frames and hundreds charts, are similar to tools and resources used at Park. (cost = \$19)
5. **Download [this Math Before Bed activity book.](#)** This is a 180-page book that will inspire conversations about math concepts learned at Park. (cost = \$23)

If you receive financial aid, the School is happy to provide you with one of these resources free of charge. Families who receive financial aid are asked to [email Kimberly Formisano](#) by Monday, July 8.

Sincerely,

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