ST. GEORGE'S EPISCOPAL SCHOOL

Virtual Summer Reading Program
June 2020

Out of an abundance of caution due to COVID-19, St. George's will be offering an online foundational reading, writing, and phonics skills program via live telepractice sessions this summer. The program will run from June 8, 2020, to June 26, 2020, in the mornings. Below is a detailed overview of the program, as well as next steps for registering online.

1. **Sessions:** Students will be working in a group of two to three via *Google Meet* with a teacher at a scheduled time each morning. Sessions will run live for 45 minutes, followed by optional, independent extension activities. Session slots will be available at 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. every weekday. Prior to June 8, 2020, all students will receive a welcome kit that includes an StG laptop, as well as tutoring and reading materials for their home.

2. **Screenings**: Instead of conducting on-campus screenings this year, your child's classroom teacher/reading specialist will complete a brief online form detailing your child's area of academic needs. This form will not only help us support your child this summer, but will also assist us in pairing your child with appropriate group members. At the culmination of the program, your child will receive a progress summary detailing information on the lessons targeted and your child's progress towards achievement of those reading/writing skills.

3. **Technology**: Students will be provided with an StG laptop. Sufficient wifi access in the home will be necessary. Students will receive an StG email account and will connect using *Google Meet* during sessions. Go directly to meet.google.com at the scheduled time of your child's sessions and log in using his/her StG username and password to join the meeting. A short video on how to use *Google Meet* will also be provided. Families will also have access to our Technology Department to troubleshoot any issues. Prior to June 8, your child's instructor will reach out and set up a time to practice video conferencing using *Google Meet*. During this time, the teacher will provide a quick overview of the upcoming sessions and the welcome kit. We encourage you to use this time to ask any questions!

4. **Parent Support**: Depending upon the age of your child, some students may be self-sufficient, but many will likely require the aid of an adult to get started on activities and video calls. Some students will require complete support from a parent or other adult to participate in their home intervention.

5. **Registration, Forms, and Fees**: The program fee is $700. A non-refundable deposit of $350 is due upon registration with the remainder of the balance due by Sunday, June 7th. An email will be sent by Friday, May 22nd, with a registration form and link to register your child. The Coordinator will then send a student evaluation form for your child's teacher or learning specialist to complete. These responses will be sent to our program Coordinator and will be shared only with your child's instructor. Registration forms and $350 deposit must be submitted by Friday, May 29th. During the week of June 1st, you will receive your welcome kit and StG email address, and you will have an introductory *Meet* session with your child's instructor.

6. **Important Timeline**:
   Friday, 5/22 - Registration form, payment link through *Active* network, and student evaluation form sent out

Friday, 5/29 - Registration form, deposit payment in *Active*, and student evaluation forms due

Monday, 6/1 - Coordinator will make groups and assign teachers

Tuesday, 6/2, or Wednesday, 6/3 - Teachers will make kits for students

Thursday, 6/4 - Students will pick up StG laptop and materials kit at scheduled time

Friday, 6/5 - Students will have 15 minute scheduled *Meet* session with instructor

Sunday, 6/7 - Final balance payment due to *Active* network

Monday, 6/8 - First session

For more information about St. George's Virtual Summer Reading Program 2020, please contact Andrea Accardi, Coordinator, at andrea.accardi@stgnola.org.