



Dear New Lower School Parents/Guardians,

Welcome to Key's Lower School! We are eager to welcome you and your family for the next academic year. We know your student will offer so much to our community through their unique perspective and background. While the 2023-2024 school year recently ended, faculty and staff are already hard at work refining curriculum and planning lessons for 2024-2025.

To find important information for the start of the school year including dates for orientation and the first day of school, health forms, summer math and reading lists, and more, please access our [New-to-Key Families page](#).

While summer brings welcome change to routines, we encourage you to make reading a priority. Download the [Key Summer Reading Challenge](#) and see how many your student can complete. Having a friend or family member read to your student counts as well! Students will bring their list to the first library class for a small surprise! The [Summer Math and Reading pages](#), the link to which can be found on the New-to-Key page, provides a link to the challenge as well as lists of summer reading ideas. The lists offer different topics including the Summer Olympics which we are sure will entice your young reader!

Students in grades 2-4 will also soon receive a Summer Journal filled with drawing and writing prompts and a host of other fun activities for your student to complete over the summer. The journals will be shared during Social and Emotional Learning (SEL) classes when we get started in August.

Math packets for rising fourth graders have been mailed directly to you. If you have not received the packet by June 21 or if you require an additional copy, please contact Lower School Administrative Assistant Jermaine Hawkins (443.321.7871).

You can expect to receive a detailed letter with further information about the start of the school year in late July. In the meantime, if you have any questions, or would like to set up a time to meet with me over the summer, please contact Jermaine Hawkins in the Lower School Office.

Best wishes to you and your family for a wonderful summer filled with fun, adventure and relaxation.

Warmly,

Kristen Addison

Lower School Division Head