



Summer 2026

Dear Kindergarten Students,

We are looking forward to a wonderful year in Kindergarten! The tasks below are great ways to practice and reinforce the ELA and Math skills learned in Pre-K. While these activities are highly recommended to help stay sharp, they are entirely optional—feel free to do as many as you'd like.

Have a great summer! We can't wait to see you in September!

Warmly,

The Kindergarten Team

Reading Log

Track your Summer Reading with the [NYPL's Reading Log](#). Read 20 minutes each day, track your progress, earn badges, and rate the books you've read. The books you choose are up to you! In the fall, you'll **submit the "What Are You Reading?" log (page 6) to your teachers**. Don't forget to write your name!

You may also be interested in: [Summer Reading Challenge – The White House](#)

Math - IXL Summer Boost

Log in to IXL to complete a week-by-week skill plan that will help you review and solidify your understanding of Math concepts from Pre-K. With 5 skill sets per week for 4 weeks, you'll complete 20 Math skills by the end of the summer.

Accessing IXL Summer Boost Skill Plans

1. Use the IXL app or website - www.ixl.com
2. Log in to your Epiphany account! You must do this for your teacher to see your completed work
 - Username = first initial last name graduation year@archnewyork
Ex: Jane Smith, Epiphany Class of 2035 = username: jsmith35@archnewyork
 - Password = epiphany
 - You will see "Welcome, [Your Name]!" in the upper right corner if you are logged in properly

Contact Ms. O'Keefe if you have problems logging in: kokeefe@theepiphanyschool.org

3. Go to the Summer Boost Skill Plan (website directions)
 - After you are logged in, click Learning at the top of the page, followed by selecting Math.

- In the menu directly beneath the list of subjects, click Skill Plans.
- At the top of the list, you will see the Summer Boost skill plan. Select the grade you are entering this fall.
- The Summer Boost Skill Plans can also be [found here](#). **Be sure to log in to your account before you start working!**









You are **not** required to reach a SmartScore of 100. Do your best and complete a minimum of 20 problems in each skill set.

Summer Resources

- Summer Reading Book Ideas
 - American Library Association: [Birth-Pre K](#), [Grades K-2](#), [Grades 3-5](#), [Grades 6-8](#)
 - [Common Sense Media](#) - Search books by age and read reviews by fellow parents
 - [Lexile - Find A Book](#) - Search books by reading level and topic of interest
 - NYPL Staff Picks - [Kids](#) and [Teens](#)
 - [Scholastic](#) - Book recommendations by age
 - Amazon [Teachers' Pick](#) - Reading recommendations by grade
- IXL Resources
 - [Family Guide for Getting Started](#)
 - [IXL Summer Adventures](#) - Explore topics with skills across all IXL subjects, organized around a fun theme for each day. IXL Summer Adventures are Optional and do not replace required summer assignments.
 - Trouble logging in? Email Ms. O'Keefe at kokeefe@theepiphanyschool.org
- More Learning & Fun!
 - [Math Fact Fluency Games](#) - Directions for simple math fact games using dice and cards.
 - [Math Playground](#) - Free math games by grade level and topic
 - [Let Grow Challenge](#) - Challenge yourself to develop new skills, confidence, and independence.
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 - Camp Khan Kids [2026 Sign Up For Camp Khan Kids](#)
 - New York Public Library [Summer 2026 Programs for Kids and Teens](#); [Free Library Card](#)
 - ***A picture is worth a thousand words.*** Practicing Pre-K skills does not have to be an indoor chore. Get creative! At the beach? Write in the sand! At the park? Form numbers using various materials like stones, twigs etc. Take out some sidewalk chalk and practice your shapes and name. Take a picture of your creative work and create a collage to share at school.

Kindergarten Classroom Supplies

[click on the link for examples](#)

<p>Backpack</p> <p>must be large enough to hold a 10x13 folder</p> <p>Backpack</p> 	<p>Art Smock</p> <p>with velcro closure</p> <p>Art Smock</p> 	<p>Lunch Bag with Water Bottle</p> <p>Examples</p> 	<p>Paper Towels</p> 
<p>Hand Sanitizer</p> <p>Hand Sanitizer</p> 	<p>2 Baby Wipes</p> <p>(safe for skin)</p> <p>Baby Wipes</p> 	<p>Sanitizing Wipes</p> <p>(for cleaning) Sanitizing</p> <p>Wipes</p> 	<p>Tissues</p> <p>Tissues</p> 

Name labels - recommended for the personal items above, uniform sweaters & fleeces, and coat

Important Independence Skills

- Tie or fasten shoes
- Manners Matter: please and thank you
- Follow 2-3 step directions
- Independently packing up
 - Zipper, button or snap close coat/jacket
 - place lunchbox and folder into backpack
- Holding and cutting scissors
- Practice opening snacks
 - pinch, pinch, pull
 - using scissors
 - taking lids off a container etc.
- Blow Your Nose
 - [Short Tutorial Video With Cardboard Tube Blow Bubbles, Blow Your Nose!](#)
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