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Preparing Youth for Here and Eternity

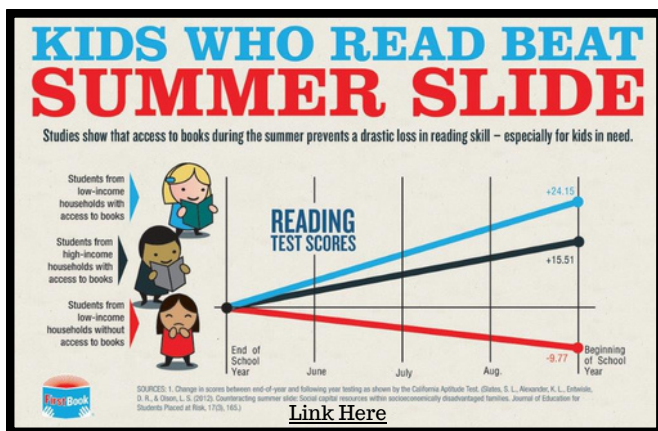
PREVENTING THE SUMMER SLIDE

WHAT IS SUMMER SLIDE AND WHY DOES IT MATTER?

'Summer slide' is the tendency for students to lose some of the academic gains they made during the school year. To learn more about the research, please click the button below.



LEARN MORE



SCHOOL MAY STOP FOR SUMMER

But Learning Never Should

SUMMER LEARNING



SUMMER LOSS



76%
of

teachers say it's "extremely important" to practice skills over the summer.



84%
of

teachers say students forget or "lose" some skills, knowledge or grade level equivalency.

90%
of



teachers say if kids keep learning over the summer, they'll be more successful in the long run.



85%
of

teachers spend 2 WEEKS or more re-teaching or reviewing skills students should have already learned.



95%
of

parents say if kids keep learning over the summer, they'll be more successful in the long run.



41%
of

teachers spend 1 MONTH or more re-teaching or reviewing skills students should have already learned.

PREPARING OUR HEARTS AND SOULS



Research has shown that a child's spiritual foundation and view of the world is developed within their first six years of life (Gillian, 2007). At Westbury Christian, we work each day to strengthen that spiritual foundation in our students from PreK3 through 12th grade. We hope each student will have a chance to continue learning about God over the summer as well!

While the data was gathered at another school, this article provides a great explanation about faith-based teaching (much of what you can continue at home this summer):



Matthew 5:16 is our theme verse for the 25-26 school year.
'Let your light shine!'

Be thinking about how you (as a student or a parent) can let your light shine for the WCS community in the 2025-2026 school year. There will be many opportunities for students to practice shining the light of Jesus: in moments of joy and celebration, in moments of deep work, and in moments of struggle.

READING RESOURCES



Both public library
systems have
reading incentive
programs in the
summer!

Harris County



Public Library

Houston



Public Library

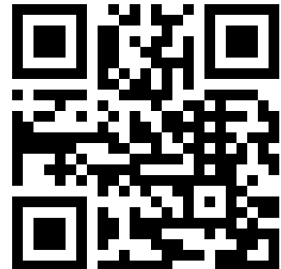
Your child's MAP report can tell you the Lexile Level (or you can email Mrs. Archer for more info). Librarians should be able to assist you in finding books that are geared towards your reader's abilities!

Harris County



Library System

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Children's Research



User: westburychristian
Pass: student

MATH AND READING WITH IXL



WCS provides student access for IXL, a diagnostic and practice program for both math and reading. Access the helpful guide below to guide your student through the steps to complete the diagnostic at the beginning of summer and let them practice skills targeted right on their level.

If your child doesn't know their username/password, email Mrs. Archer. Use this site for personalized access:

<https://www.ixl.com/signin/westbury>

Quick Start Guide



A FEW MORE RESOURCES



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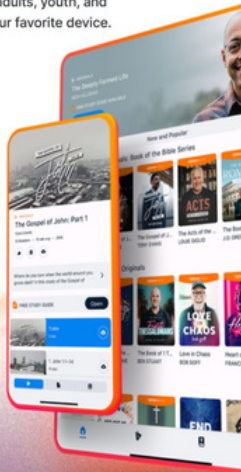
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The Bible App
FOR KIDS



School starts on Thursday, August 14, 2025. It is my prayer that these eleven and a half weeks of summer are filled with joy, safety, and togetherness, and that you find these resources to be helpful as you work with your child to prepare for the 2025-2026 school year.

**MAY GOD BLESS
YOUR FAMILY
THIS SUMMER!**

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