

Westlake Academy Suggested Summer Learning



It is our wish that all Westlake Academy families have a safe, relaxing, and memorable summer vacation. Until we meet again, we would like for students to have continued exposure to the skills developed over the course of the year. Please reference the suggestions below for home learning opportunities. Grade-specific suggestions begin on page three.

Keep in mind that a variety of summer activities will be hosted at Westlake Academy over the summer (registration can be found [here](#)).

Mathematics

1. Second-Fifth Grades Think Through Math:
https://lms.thinkthroughmath.com/users/sign_in
*Contact Mrs. Bauer for login information: nbauer@westlakeacademy.org
2. Greg Tang Math Games: gregtangmath.com
3. Supporting Math At Home: A Guide for Parents
* [Kindergarten-Second Grade](#)
* [Third-Fifth Grade](#)

Reading

We hope every child has daily reading experience during the summer months.

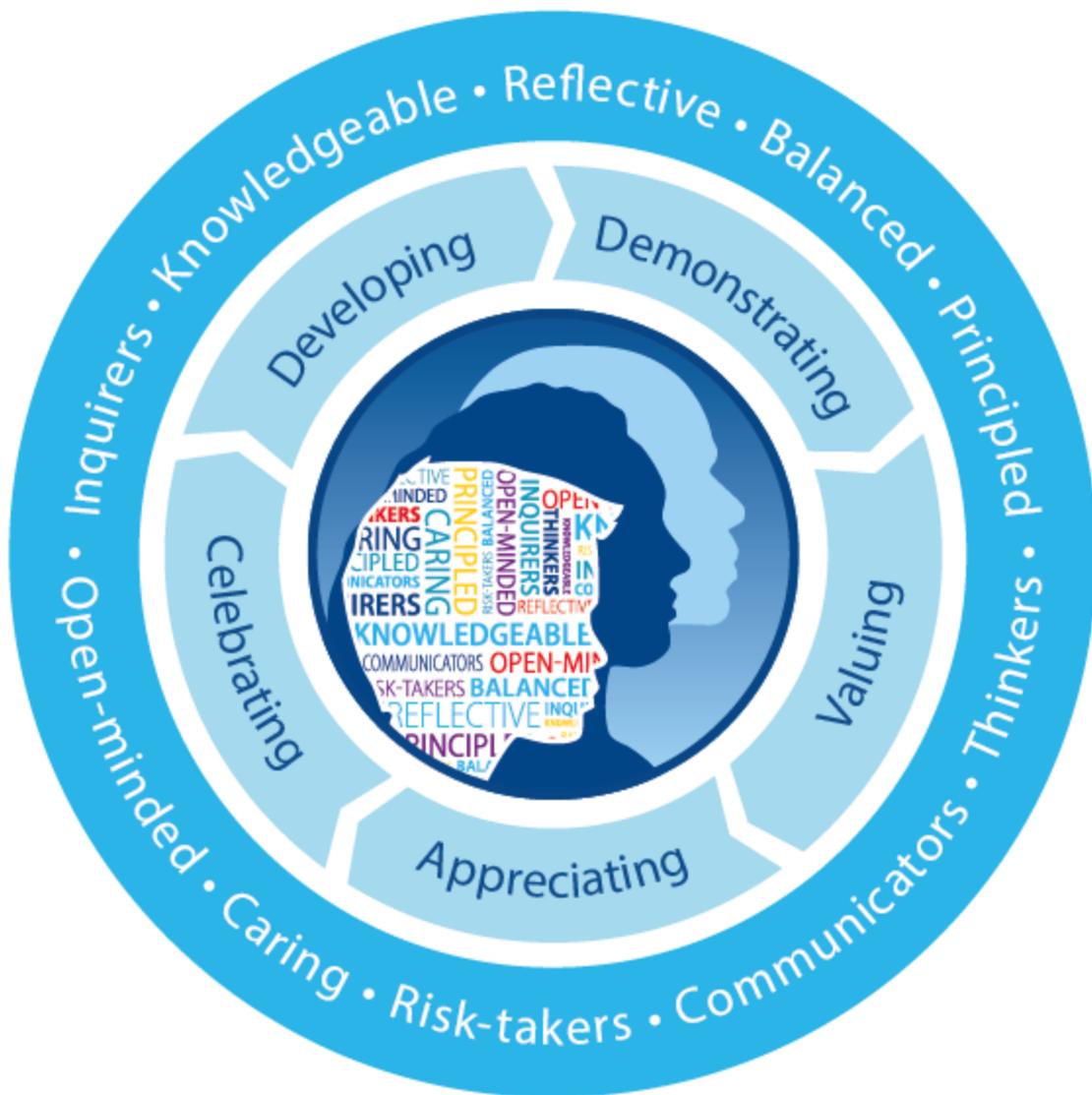
1. www.istation.com/istationHome/Tx
School/Domain: westlake.txprivate.tx
*Contact Ms. Schneider for login help at aschneider@westlakeacademy.org
2. [Newbery Medal Winners](#)
3. [Texas Bluebonnet Award Winners](#)
4. [Bookopolis](#)
5. [Biblionasium](#)

Spanish

[View this document](#) for information from Senora Katina (K-3rd) and Senora Martha (4th-5th).

Reinforce the IB Learner Profile Attributes

The attributes of being inquirers, knowledgeable, communicators, caring, thinkers, risk-takers, open-minded, balanced, principled and reflective are all hallmarks of what it means to be a good citizen and contribute positively to the community to make the world a better and more peaceful place. As a learning community, we all have a role in promoting and reinforcing these attributes. Westlake Academy's culture is formed and continues to form, in a partnership with parents and teachers working together to demonstrate the beliefs and values of the IB.



**Scroll down for Summer Learning Activities Suggested by PYP Teachers
(For students entering the following grades)**

Incoming First Grade:

- Oral counting to 100
- Counting by 2s, 5s, 10s to 100
- Fine Motor Skills (cutting, tying, zipping, buttoning, writing, drawing)
- Practice writing words with attention to upper and lower case letters
- Personal hygiene (first graders share a hallway restroom next year)
- [Recall Frys first 100 instant snap words](#)
- Our favorite picture book authors are:
 - Laura Numeroff
 - Mo Willems
 - Kevin Henkes
 - Eric Carle

Incoming Second Grade:

- See Xtra math login information sent home by the first-grade teachers
- <https://www.mathplayground.com/>
- Playing board games
- Practice measurement skills through home activities such as cooking
- Reference second grade reading and writing cues from the journals and weekly newsletters (Parent Pipeline)
- Keep a journal
- Choose a chapter book to read aloud to your child. Our favorites are:
 - Beverly Cleary
 - The Magic Treehouse series
 - Encyclopedia Brown series
 - The Mercy Watson series
 - A-Z Mysteries series

Incoming Third Grade:

- See Xtra math login information sent home by the second-grade teachers
- Practice writing letters and words legibly in cursive
- Practice addition and subtraction fluency
- Keep a journal in the form of narrative stories and letters
- Our favorite authors:
 - Mike Lupica
 - Roald Dahl
 - Tim Green
 - Katherine Applegate

Incoming Fourth Grade:

- See Xtra math login information sent home by the third-grade teachers
- Practice writing sentences legibly in cursive
- Practice multiplication and division fluency up to 12x12
- Responding to and discussing what is being read (see book talk tips in the take-home folder from third grade). Emphasize reading nonfiction texts.

Incoming Fifth Grade:

- Continue practice multiplication and division fact fluency
- Continue to practice writing in cursive to increase writing stamina
- Reading informational texts
 - Time of Kids
 - National Geographic Kids
 - Local community publications
 - Newsforkids.net
 - Washington Post (Kids Post)
 - Dogonews.com