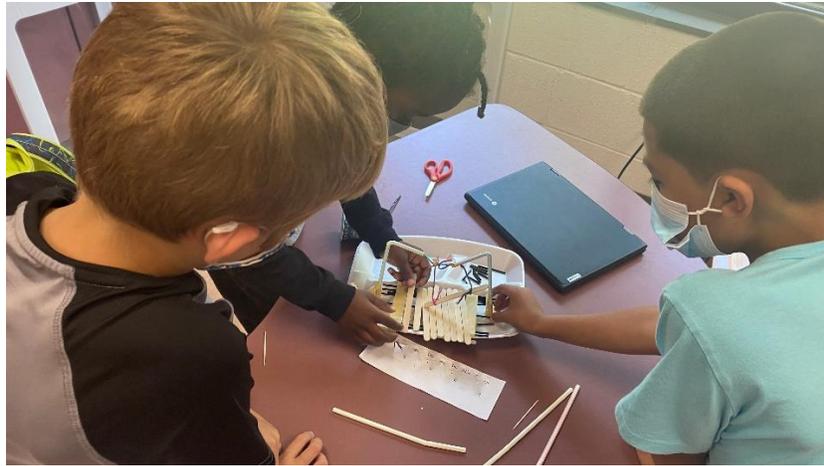


Dear Summer Scholars Families,

Good afternoon! Thank you for allowing us to teach your wonderful children at Summer Scholars at New Hope Elementary! We all had a lot of fun in Week 1!

We want to share just a few highlights. Our students are working on grade-level appropriate projects to develop their literacy skills. For example, Ms. Edwards' fifth grade students put their reading skills into action, developing both literacy and teamwork competencies at the same time! They read an article titled *Give Peace a Chance*, worked in teams to develop plans to reduce conflict in the world, and made posters to promote a more peaceful world. Students are also seeing principles of science in action! For example, this week Ms. Obregon's K-2 students explored force and motion. They designed and built several objects to demonstrate Newton's first law of motion – they created swings, seesaws, slides, a water park, and more!



Students are also exploring the world and developing their curiosity as they also strengthen their core literacy and math skills. Ms. Mabry's 2-3 enrichment students read articles about inventors, patents, and perseverance to build up their literacy skills - such as recognizing the main ideas and key details of a text. They also worked in teams to review their math facts for addition, subtraction, and multiplication. "We had a great week and look forward to seeing everyone next week," as Ms. Mabry says!



These are just a few of our students' many great experiences in Summer Scholars Week 1! It has been great to see the smiles on students' faces throughout the building as they make new friends and reunite with old. I'm enjoying watching our wonderful faculty and staff nurture each child's love of learning! In Week 2, we are looking forward to taking our Afternoon Enrichment sessions to new heights with more new and exciting lesson plans and materials. You will not want to miss the Afternoon Enrichment sessions in Week 2!

We just have a few small requests for next week. Please make sure that in the morning car riders are dropped off between

7:30 and 8:00 if possible, so that we can begin our sessions promptly at 8:00 am. For afternoon car rider pick-ups, please try to arrive to pick up your children between 4:45 and 5:00 pm. It will be helpful for our staff if you have a sign clearly visible in your front window with your child's name and grade level. Additionally, please remember Summer Scholars is Monday-Thursday only. There is no Summer Scholars on Fridays.

If there is anything else we can do to improve the Summer Scholars experience for your child, please let us know! We have all enjoyed Week 1! We can't wait to see all of our scholars back next week. Have a great weekend!

All the Best,

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