



Dear First Grade Parents,

It seems like just yesterday that we started the school year in August. I know your children have been working hard and that you are very proud of all their accomplishments this year.

As your students leave first grade, I would like to offer them an opportunity to develop the skills they will need to enter second grade both in math and language arts. By participating in the Second Grade Vacation Academy, they can both prepare for the future and keep their hard-earned skills sharp over the summer. Participating in this program will provide a great advantage for them as they begin their second grade year.

The academy will review first grade math and language arts material and give a preview of skills that will be covered in second grade. As part of the language arts program, we will read and discuss many elements of the book Henry & Mudge and the Tall Tree House, which is part of the required summer reading for returning SHCS students. We will work through the reading packet and discuss many other facets of the book as part of the program. We will appreciate a number of other children's books as part of the academy and apply a variety of reading strategies to analyze each story.

The academy will begin on June 6th and run through June 29, 2023 (on TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS only). The hours will be from 9:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. The fee for the academy is \$350.00. This is considerably less than the usual fee schedule at SHCS of \$30.00 an hour for tutoring.

If you think your child might be interested in the program, please fill out the attached form and return with the academy fee by May 19, 2023. Please make checks payable to Rita Hesse.

I hope we will have a lot of fun while we are learning some important academic skills.

God bless,		
Dr. Rita Hesse		
Second Grade Teacher		
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	SECOND GRADE VACATION ACADEMY	
Student Name:		
Parent Name:		
Parent email:		
Parent phone number:		
Allergies:		