Dunn Summer Learning

**Who:** Dunn Elementary students, grades K - 5 (2018 – 2019 School Year)

**What:** Challenge to keep the faucet of **ACTIVE LEARNING AND THINKING** flowing over the summer! Active Learning and Thinking is occurring anytime you engage your brain through reading, talking, problem solving, listening, leading and reflecting.

**When:** May 30th – August 15th….SUMMER BREAK!!

**Where:** Anywhere and Everywhere!

**Why:** Although we are taking a break from school…we never want to take a break from LEARNING! Research shows that kids who don’t keep their brain actively learning and practicing what they know over the summer can lose as much as 3 months of the growth they made during the school year! You never want that to happen to you!

**How:**
1. Keep your brain active by READING, THINKING and WRITING as much as you can!
2. Complete one link for every 30 minutes you engage your brain in **active learning**! Make a goal to try to earn at least one link per day!
3. Over the summer, as you complete active learning activities, write them on a link. Hook your links together to make a chain.
4. In your new classroom, you and your new classmates will share some of the fun learning experiences you had over the break. As a class, you will hook your chains together to make an even bigger chain.
5. On the second day of school, all of the classrooms in your grade level will get together to hook the chains together to make an even bigger chain.
6. On the third day of school, ALL Dunn Dolphins will meet in the gym to see which grade level has the most links in their chain and hook all of the links together to make one big Dunn Dolphin link chain. This gathering will include a celebration with a popsicle party.
7. The grade level with the most links in their chain will win a prize voted on by the students after school starts.
8. Attached are some links to get you started, you can download more from our school website, or you can make your own.
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Examples of Active Learning Activities

There are SO many ways you can keep your brain busy over the summer!

- What activities do you want try this summer?
- What books do you want to read?
- What could you write?
- What problems can you solve mathematically?
- How might you show leadership in your community?

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