



BERMUDA  
EDUCATION  
NETWORK



2022

SUMMER  
LEARNING  
PROGRAMME



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## BACKGROUND

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The Bermuda Education Network (BEN) is building a professional learning community working together to increase the services and opportunities available to public school students.

One of our key areas of focus is reducing the numbers of students struggling to learn how to read at primary level.

Students who do not read proficiently by P4 struggle to "read to learn" thereafter and are four times less likely to graduate high school. The summer vacation presents an opportunity to provide intensive intervention through lessons which reinforce language concepts and one-on-one tuition with reading experts. BEN's Summer Learning Programme provides accelerated learning for students who have finished P3 but have not yet achieved reading proficiency.

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## PROGRAMME ADMINISTRATION

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The BEN Programme Administrator leads the enrollment process and communication with parents and teachers. The P3 classroom teachers refer students to us and provide their Fountas & Pinnell reading benchmarks.

**New!** We have added a Parents information session to the programme this year which will provide Parents and caregivers with information about how to support their child's reading during the summer and the coming P4 year.

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# SUMMER LEARNING PROGRAMME

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The programme we are offering free of charge in July is a summer camp with reading tutoring. Morning lessons will provide literacy extension by teaching science and environment topics along with stories from other countries. Further enrichment activities will be provided by Kaleidoscope Arts Foundation.

The afternoon schedule includes two hours of games and story time (1-3pm). During this time students will receive 40 minutes of one-on-one tutoring. The main goal is to use three weeks of intensive intervention to help students master foundational reading skills therefore personal electronics are not allowed at the camp.

The camp will run for three weeks and will be located at the brand new Innovation Centre at Bermuda High School.

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## SCHEDULE/TIMETABLE

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Summer Learning Programme July 4th – July 22nd (Monday-Friday)

The morning sessions will run from 8.30 to 12.30 with a recess at 10.30am.  
Afternoon sessions 1pm-3pm.

After-camp care is available at both BHS and BUEI but a charge applies and parents must arrange to pay in advance for this service.

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# CURRICULUM

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Group lessons during the morning will provide literacy extension by providing vocabulary-rich lessons which cover a range of science and environmental topics along with stories from different countries. Further enrichment activities will be provided by Kaleidoscope Arts Foundation.

Explore the world and Bermuda through stories and crafts. Where possible, field trips will be used to expand the themes of Bermuda Natural Heritage and Architecture, Bermuda Plants and Trees and Caring for the Environment.

Two further groups will also be hosted by the Bermuda Underwater Exploration Institute at their summer camp.

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## FUNDATIONS "READY TO RISE"

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The Foundations Programme is used to identify key skills needed for success for the upcoming school year. The programme targets key decoding, transcription, and fluency skills.

"Ready to Rise" utilises a 90-minute lesson format divided into three 30-minute components: Word Study, Transcription, and Application & Fluency Skills. The Word Study component targets phonemic awareness, the alphabetic principle, sound and word accuracy/automaticity, and high frequency word recognition. The Transcription Skills component addresses letter formation/automaticity, spelling, and sentence dictation/punctuation. Lastly, the Application & Fluency Skills component focuses on the application of decoding and encoding skills and provides fluency instruction with connected text.