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Dear Parents and Carers,

We have another fantastic Doodle Maths opportunity, but this time during the summer holidays...

Join the 2018 #DoodleMathsChallenge

The DoodleMaths Summer Challenge is back, and it's bigger than ever! Join thousands of Doodlers around the country taking part in the DoodleMaths Summer Challenge and **win an amazing 'back-to-school' kit, a limited edition DoodleMaths Summer 2018 pin badge and a challenge certificate.**

What exactly is 'summer learning loss'?

Let's start by using running as an example. Have you ever taken a break from running? All that hard work pushing your body faster, further and then suddenly, after a small break, your accomplishments and confidence all disappear. Well, our brains work in a very similar way.

The term 'summer learning loss', also known as 'summer slippage', is used to refer to the loss of skills and knowledge that can occur during the summer holiday.

Not only can summer learning loss put children at a disadvantage for the beginning of the school year, but September can often be all about getting children back up to where they were in May last year.

A new academic year is a fresh start. Those children who make a flying start to the autumn term are often those who carry that confidence through the whole year, perhaps moving up a maths group or performing better than expected in early assessments.

Extensive research has gone into summer learning loss, where findings show that on average children score one tenth of a standard deviation lower after the summer holiday compared to their score prior to the summer holiday, which is equivalent to approximately one month of instruction (Cooper, Nye, Charlton, Lindsay, & Greathouse, 1996).

DoodleMaths can make all the difference when it comes to summer learning. This University of Bath research forms the foundation of our annual Summer Challenge, which addresses the concern over summer learning loss that both parents and teachers face.



National Association for Able Children in Education



Terms and conditions:

Kids need to:

- Earn a 15 day streak, and
- Earn 750 DoodleStars

Adults need to:

- Post a photo of, or comment about, your kids using DoodleMaths on social media three times. Remember to tag [@DoodleMaths](#) and use the hashtag [#DoodleMathsChallenge](#)
- Posting on Facebook – when posting please ensure that your post is on public. This will ensure that we receive your post as part of the challenge. If you do not use social media please contact hello@doodlemaths.co.uk

Claim your prize!

Simply fill in the form below (coming soon). We'll verify your competition entry and, if valid, send your child their prize! If your child has a school account, we will be sending their prize to their school to award.

We must receive all entries by Wednesday 5th September 2018

We thank you for your continuing support and co-operation and look forward to seeing some huge achievements over the summer!

Many thanks,

Mr Anthony Bandy
Apple Teacher with Swift Playground recognition
Nrich Ambassador
Assistant Head Teacher
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