

**THE SELWYN SCHOOL  
SUMMER REQUIRED ACTIVITIES  
FOR STUDENTS ENTERING SECOND GRADE**

As an integral part of Selwyn's Lower School, we strive to ensure that all of our students are actively reading, writing, and thinking during the summer break. All students are required to complete the following activities. Assignments should be completed over the summer and brought to class on the first day of school in August.

**Flat Stanley Summer Project**

Who is Flat Stanley, you may ask? He is a special character in the series Flat Stanley. He was a regular boy until one night when a bulletin board fell on top of him while he was sleeping. Stanley was unharmed by the bulletin board, except for the fact that his body was flattened! Stanley lives his life as a normal child, except he has certain unusual abilities. He is able to slide underneath doors, fly like a kite, and be shipped in the mail to visit friends and family. Stanley has been all over the world, and this is where our project comes into play!

Over the next summer months, you either need to take Flat Stanley on a trip with you, or mail him to friends or family out of town who can host Stanley for a few days and treat him to a good vacation. Please ask them to send you pictures or a postcard of the places Flat Stanley visits. \*Remember, a staycation is always fun too!

The further Stanley travels, the more interesting it will be, and your child will learn much more about the world around them.

Choose your family members or friends wisely, because not everyone will want Flat Stanley to visit. We recommend that you contact them before you send him, check to see if it is okay, and let them know he is on his way.

When Stanley returns from his vacation, your child needs to create a display board and complete the attached tracking chart. The entire project is due the first day of school. Please include pictures or postcards from the places that your child's Flat Stanley visits. You may send several Flat Stanleys out to different friends and family members.

Happy Travels!



## Flat Stanley Summer Project Directions:

1. Read *Flat Stanley : His Original Adventure*
2. Decorate a Flat Stanley
3. Take along Flat Stanley on your summer family trip and bring back pictures of the places Flat Stanley visits.
4. Mail Flat Stanley to friends or family who live in a different place, state, or country than you. Ask them to take Flat Stanley somewhere and have them take a picture of where he visits, then return Flat Stanley to you along with the pictures.
5. When Flat Stanley is finished with his travels, please complete the Flat Stanley Reading Fair Project, due the first day of your new school year. Please include photos and/ or facts of the places that Flat Stanley visited on his travels.
6. Use the attached example to help you create your display board to display your project.
  - Use a full size poster board
  - Student's name written on the back of the board
  - To dress up your storyboard, you may use: Photographs, beads, ribbons, colored pencils, markers, crayons, colored paper, stencils, and any other creative item you desire
  - Please help your child to be creative and enjoy the project!

Title Author Illustrator	Title of Book Book Art	What I learned from my Flat Stanley Project
Main Characters	Where did Flat Stanley travel?  Please be creative and include photos of your Flat Stanley's travels!	What would it be like to be flat
Setting and Plot		
Your Review		

