



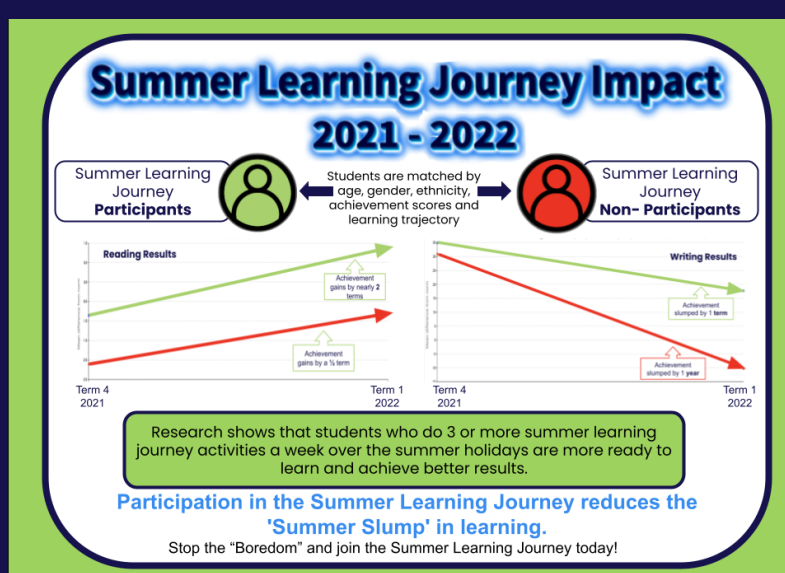
WHAT IS THE SUMMER LEARNING JOURNEY (SLJ)?

The Summer Learning Journey was created in response to concerns about the annual drop in literacy achievement by students in New Zealand schools over the summer holidays. It is a free digital activity programme for school students Years 4 – 9 who have individual blogs. It was designed to encourage students to continue their learning over the summer holidays through a range of fun activities designed to engage and excite students.



WHY SHOULD MY CHILD TAKE PART?

Research has shown that students who take part in the Summer Learning Journey return to school after the summer break ready to learn, and achieve better results in reading and writing than students who do not participate. All students who participate will receive a certificate and a digital badge for their blog and there are some great prizes up for grabs for our most active bloggers as well as some participation spot prizes. It's also a lot of fun!



HOW DOES IT WORK?

Most students will have registered at school but if they haven't they can still [register](#). New activities are published on the [Summer Learning Journey Blog](#) at 9am and 1pm each weekday between 12th December 2022 and 20th January 2023. Students are asked to post their responses to the activities on their school-sponsored blog.



These activities are not designed to take too long so they can fit in around summer break plans. Doing something is better than doing nothing at all. Got some spare time? Encourage your child to have a go at one of the activities. Weather not nice outside? Encourage your child to have a go at one of the activities. Sick of the "I'm bored," chat? Encourage your child to do one of the SLJ activities. The Summer Learning Journey is a great idea!

THE SLJ BLOGGING TEAM

The Summer Learning Journey blogging team is made up of people all over the country who come from an education background. The team will read and provide feedback on your children's blog posts every day.

