

Dear Fourth Grade,

Summer is a great time to take a break from routine and relax. However, it is a perfect time to review and prepare for the next school year. Doing some fun activities and practice can help prevent 'summer loss' and help ease the transition into the new school year.

I hope that everyone has a wonderful summer vacation, and I look forward to seeing you in the fall!

Reading:

Just set time aside each day to read. I would suggest at least twenty minutes a day to get lost in a good book! I have included a list of fun and interesting books of different genres. I would keep a reading log of all books you have read over the summer.

Math:

Review your FACTS!. Use flashcards, websites, cooking with recipes, or music to help you memorize your facts. Again, I have attached some fun sites to help you practice your math skills.

Websites:

For LA, Math, Science and SS you may use your IXL account this summer.

www.ixl.com

Math:

www.abcya.com

www.mathplayground.com

www.mathgames.com

Suggested Summer Reading Books:

Adventure Fiction:

Hatchet by Gary Paulsen
Chasing Vermeer by Blue Balliett
The Egypt Game by Zilpha Keatty Snyder
The Tale of Despereaux by Kate DiCamillo
Holes by Louis Sachar

Historical Fiction:

The Cay by Theodore Taylor
Island of the Blue Dolphins by Scott O'Dell
Tuck Everlasting by Natalie Babbitt
On the Wings of Heroes by Richard Peck
Call It Courage by Armstrong Sperry

Fiction: Humor:

The Chocolate Touch by Patrick Catling
How to Eat Fried Worms by Thomas Rockwell
The Top 10 Ways to Ruin the First Day of 5th Grade by Kenneth Derby
The Pepins and Their Problems by Polly Horvat

Fiction: Mysteries:

From the Mixed Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler by E.L. Konigsburg
The Homework Machine by Dan Gutman
Maniac Magee by Jerry Spinelli
No Talking by Andrew Clements

Science Fiction and Fantasy:

Davin by Dan and Zaki Gordon
A Wrinkle in Time by Madeleine L'Engle
Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of Nimh by Robert O'Brien