

Dear Parents/Guardians,

I hope this letter finds you and your family in good health and high spirits. We want to inform you about your child's <u>required Summer Reading</u> and <u>suggested Math activities</u> over the Summer Break.

As we approach the summer break, I would like to emphasize the importance of continuing reading and math practice during this time. Research has shown that students who engage in regular academic activities over the summer are better equipped to avoid the "summer slump" and maintain their academic progress. We have prepared a summer packet with stimulating reading and math exercises from their curriculum to support your child's ongoing development.

The summer vacation provides a fantastic opportunity for children to explore new interests, spend quality time with family, and engage in recreational activities. However, it's crucial to strike a balance between relaxation and intellectual stimulation to ensure a smooth transition back to the classroom in the fall. Encouraging your child to dedicate a small portion of their day to reading and math will help them retain their skills, build confidence, and be better prepared for the upcoming school year.

Required Summer Reading

The ability to read is crucial for academic success. It improves vocabulary, comprehension, and critical thinking skills. As part of the summer packet, the school has assigned a grade-level book along with a Required Reading Assignment Sheet. Students must earn a specific number of AR points based on their grade level. They can achieve this by reading both their assigned book and other books of their choice. Additionally, students can utilize Reading Wonders online resources via Clever until July 25th. It's recommended that parents encourage their children to explore different genres and topics of interest, visit the local library, create a reading list together, and have family reading time to make the experience more enjoyable.

Suggested Math Activities

To stay proficient in Mathematics, consistent practice is necessary. This summer packet offers math exercises from the curriculum, available both online and in a practice workbook provided by the teacher, which will help students reinforce essential concepts, problem-solving skills, and logical thinking. Encourage your child to practice math facts like addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division and to solve math problems in real-life situations, such as during shopping trips, cooking activities, or while exploring new places. Engage your child in math puzzles, games, and online resources to make math more interactive and enjoyable. We've partnered with Mathnasium to provide fun opportunities for your child to work on their Math skills at a discounted price for our students (see flier in the packet).

All online resources are open and available to the students through their Clever portal until July 25th, 2023. Students can access AR through their portal until July 25th.



After July 25th, students who need to access AR must use their AR login information (see your child's label on the front of the Summer Packet bag).

We firmly believe your involvement and support are crucial to your child's academic success. By encouraging them to complete the summer packet, you are setting a strong foundation for their continued growth. We greatly appreciate your cooperation and ongoing partnership in nurturing your child's love for learning.

If you have any questions or require further guidance, please do not hesitate to reach out to us. We wish you and your family a safe, relaxing, and intellectually enriching summer break.

Warmest regards,

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Summer Packet Contents include:

- Required Summer Reading Assignment Sheet
- 1 Chapter Book (rising grades 2-5)
- Label with information to access AR guizzes without Clever
- Big Ideas Math Quick Access Guide to the Online Resources
- Mathnasium Flyer

Provided by the classroom teacher:

Extra Practice Math Workbook