

INCOMING FIFTH GRADE SUMMER WORK

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Over the summer, my hope is for your child to maintain the skills learned this past year and strengthen their knowledge base by reviewing new concepts.

I strongly encourage the continued use of the online math program IXL. Students should be very familiar with finding their recommended skills, and know how to complete the diagnostic assessment to get more recommended skills. If they are stuck on a particular skill, they may send me an email, and/or search the topic on google and there should be a variety of instructional videos to help. It is vitally important for math that your child has their math multiplication facts memorized from 1 times 1 through 12 times 12. Students should also long division and subtraction with borrowing. This will allow your child to focus on the new content that will be taught this year rather than have the focus on recalling their facts. There are also a few online resources that your child can utilize over the summer. My favorite ones include: IXL, Prodigy, and Epic!, and Khan Academy.

Coming into fifth grade, students need to have multiplication and division facts mastered through 12. This will be beneficial as students are going to need those foundational skills to excel with fraction and decimal operations. Students will use various foundational skills to help them master the content that will be taught this year. They should also be able to independently read chapter books and answer comprehension questions. Understanding the book is just as important as being able to read the words! Students should also be able to write three paragraphs of information on a given topic.

Over the summer, your child should read ***at least two books*** and answer questions about each of the books. For each book, questions must be answered in paragraph form. It is my hope that you will encourage your child to read as many books as possible over the summer. By reading together, as well as discussing books read independently, reading can be a very pleasant experience for your whole family.

The reading **book reports are due on the first day of school**. We will all enjoy sharing our favorite books with each other during the first week of school.

Have a wonderful summer and I look forward to seeing all of you soon!

Sincerely,

Amanda Provost

SUMMER BOOK REPORTS

Please answer these questions on a separate piece of paper in paragraph form. Use 5-8 sentences for each paragraph. You may write neatly or type up your answers about each of the two books.

Please make an attractive cover for each book that includes the title of the book, the author's name, and your name.

Paragraph One: What is the plot of your story? What happens throughout the book?

Paragraph Two: Pick one chapter in your book, and write about it. Be sure to include why you picked this chapter.

Paragraph Three: If you could be one character in the book, which one would you be? Make sure you support your statements with details from the book.