



Dear Families,

It is essential for your child to read over the summer to actively nurture the love of reading, develop literacy skills, and be prepared for the following school year. It is important to surround students with a variety of high-quality books and help them make time for regular reading throughout the summer. Through summer reading, we hope students will continue to develop their love of reading, keep up their hard-earned skills and get to know a wide range of authors, series, and genres. Enjoyment is key! Help your child choose books they are interested in.

In addition to independent reading, caregivers should read aloud at least one chapter book with their child. This shared reading experience will help develop your child's vocabulary and critical thinking skills. While reading aloud, pause with your child to discuss the book. Ask your child questions, such as, "What is happening in the book?" "What is the main character's biggest problem?" "What do you think is going to happen next?" "What in the text makes you think that?" "Is there a part of the book that stands out to you and why?"

In fourth grade we continue to build our stamina for writing. Students will learn to take small moments and stretch them into detailed stories with action and dialogue. They will work on writing personal essays and memoirs. To prepare them for this, students should continue practicing their skills and building their stamina throughout the summer. This will help them settle in our routine of 30 minutes of independent writing. Encourage your child to use the writing bingo to find prompts that interest them. The goal is to get Bingo (or more)!

Math practice and reinforcement is just as important as reading and writing practice over the summer. The fourth grade team is hoping that your students can do their best to work on this summer math packet a little bit at a time. We are also strongly encouraging your students to practice their multiplication facts regularly. Making or investing in flash cards is an easy and efficient way to practice over the summer while on long car rides to fun destinations. Take a look at the list below for a little more insight into the summer work requirements.

Happy Summer!

Your 4th grade teachers, Jackie and Julia

Math Practice for the Summer

Please feel free to print out this math packet to work on it at home. If you need us to provide you with a hard copy please let us know! There is optional IXL Summer Adventure practice that requires student log-in. We are happy to provide you with your students' log-in info if they forget it over the summer. You can reach us at jcopeland@greenestreetfriends.org (Julia) and jshields@greenestreetfriends.org (Jackie).

- Please complete the [Rising Fourth Grade Math Packet](#).
- Work on mastering your math fact fluency, especially multiplication. We suggest making your own flashcards and practicing a little bit every day. There are also multiple apps and online games available.
- Optional: Explore [IXL's 4th Grade Summer Adventure](#). This site has 20 themed days of IXL practice with a mix of math and language arts. In addition, they can work on any of the third grade skills listed under 'Learning'.

4th Grade Summer Reading Bingo Challenge

-Challenge yourself to read new things and read in new ways! Can you get reading bingo by getting 5 in a row?

*Want an extra challenge? Try to check off every single box!

practice reading one part of your book until you can read it smoothly aloud	partner read with an adult	read a biography of a famous person	read an article in a newspaper	read a book recommended by a teacher
read a fantasy book	read a realistic fiction book	read a recipe	read a nonfiction book	practice reading a poem until you can perform it from memory
read a book that is part of a series	find a just right book and explain to someone why it's just right for you		read a picture book	read a book recommended by your librarian
read a book of poetry	read a book with a friend and discuss it together	read a book recommended by a student	read a book that has been made into a movie	read aloud to an adult
read a comic book or graphic novel	read a myth	read aloud to a younger child	read a historical fiction book	read a magazine

WRITING BINGO CHALLENGE

Choose at least 5 writing prompts in a row, either straight across, up and down or diagonally. Use the lined paper in the packet to write.

Want a challenge? Check off more than five!

B I N G O				
Directions: Mark out the activities you complete. 5 in a row horizontally, vertically, or diagonally makes BINGO.				
Write about your dream school.	Write about what you are thankful for.	Write about your favorite musician.	Write about a day in your pet's life.	Write about a trip you want to take.
Write about possible solutions to world problems.	Write about your favorite game at recess.	Write about the best day of your life.	Write about a funny moment.	Write about a place you visited.
Write about a mistake you made and how you fixed it.	Write about a delicious meal you ate.		Write about unusual weather you experienced.	Write about a talking horse.
Write about visiting another planet.	Write about seeing a U.F.O. or an alien.	Write about a favorite book and why you love it.	Write about something that surprised you.	Write about something that made you proud.
Write about what you would do with \$1000.	Write about your favorite after-school activity.	Write about a dream you had.	Write about the best thing you ever made.	Write about the best gift you ever gave.