

Dear Third thru Fifth Grade Parents,

Your child has worked very hard on reading this year. They will need to continue to practice, just like with any other skill. Every time your child reads, they will become better at reading. There is a lot of research on what educators call "summer slide." Many children return to school in the fall not reading as well as when they left at the beginning of the summer. You can help prevent summer slide by making sure your child reads at least 20 minutes a day, and complete their summer reading assignment.

Students should choose a chapter book they are interested in to complete a book review. (See attached document). The first 2 pages, which have a black dot border, are for the student to formulate their thoughts and take notes after reading the book. As a cumulative project they will fill out the book report poster and mat it on construction paper or card stock. They are to use their creativity to doodle in the blank white spaces. We will post these in the classroom for the other students to use as a recommendation for future reading.

I look forward to being your child's English Language Arts teacher this coming school year! It will be a new year of adventures and discoveries, many of them STEM based.

God Bless

Mrs. Centeno