

Dear Future 3rd Graders,

As the end of 2nd grade approaches, I would like to wish you a wonderful, relaxing summer. I hope that you spend time with your family and friends, enjoy the beautiful weather and have a great time.

It will be quite some time before you return to school and I do not want you to forget all the amazing things you learned this year in school. As part of your summer work, you will be required to complete the *Math Summer Solutions* book that your parents have purchased for you! This is a great book that will help you keep all of your math skills strong! There are 30 lessons in the book which means only 3 lessons per week over the summer! This book is perfect for those rainy days where you have nothing to do! It is understood that having computer access may pose difficulties during your summer vacation; however, the IXL and Mathletics programs are great ways to strengthen those math skills!

I would also love for you to read at least three times a week for 20 minutes each time! Reading is so important! While you read, think about what is happening in the story, why the characters are doing what they are doing and what may happen next! For your summer work, you will be required to read **two** books! One you may choose on your own and one has been chosen for you. The required summer reading book is *Mr. Popper's Penguins* by Richard and Florence Atwater. When returning to school, we will review this book briefly and have a short test! This will count as your first ELA test grade. For the book of your choosing, you will be completing a "File Folder Book Report". There is an example and detailed instructions in this packet to help you complete this assignment. This will be handed in on the first full day of school.

For your convenience, a supply list of all the items you will need next year has been attached. Have a great summer! I cannot wait to see you all in September



Sincerely,

Ms. Hellmund

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