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Dear Fourth Grade Parents,

As schools close for summer vacation, many children look forward to summer camp, vacations, lazy summer days, and...reading?!!!! Summer reading may not be at the top of your son or daughter's list, but it should be. Research shows children who don't make time for reading over summer lose up to two months of instructional time. The good news is that summer reading can and should be fun! Please make a copy of the summer reading calendar from the St. Catherine website and fill it out over the next couple of months.

**\*\*Fourth Grade: 1,000 minutes (average 25 minutes x 4 days per week), please initial and total the number of minutes per day with your child. Students who complete their summer reading goals will receive a prize upon returning to school.**

***“Today a reader - Tomorrow a leader.”***

A list of suggested reading:

Riding Freedom by Pam Munoz Ryan

The Invention of Hugo Cabret by Brian Selznick

Honus and Me by Dan Gutman

Because of Winn Dixie by Kate DiCamillo

From the Mixed-up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler by E.L. Koningsburg

The Twenty-One Balloons by William Pene du Bois

\*\*If you are participating in The Battle of the Books, you have a list of books to start reading.

**Math-** Students will not be required to complete any specific math assignment, although practicing math skills during summer would be beneficial. Some ideas include: practice on your Freckle account, Spectrum Workbook Math Grade 3 to review last year's topics, Spectrum Workbook Math Grade 4 if you want to tackle some new topics, and memorize multiplication facts with flashcards or apps.

Thank you, Jill Torres