

Dear Parents,

Ten months of school goes by so quickly, so we have to use the time wisely and productively. The 2016 – 2017 school year has been a great year filled with much learning. Students have covered a lot of material and gained the opportunity to participate in many fun projects and field trips.

As your child gets ready for 5th grade this summer they can rest assure that it will be a wonderful upcoming school year. They can look forward to meeting new friends, participating in 4H, utilizing the laptops, and going on several exciting school field trips.

As your child moves from the 4th to 5th grade, please know that the curriculum gets harder and students are expected to do homework, complete projects, compose essays with at least 5 paragraphs, and most importantly adhere to deadlines. These guidelines will be vitally important to your child's success. To prepare, there are some important things that you can do this summer to help them succeed. Make sure that they are reading each night for at least 50 minutes (10 minutes per grade level is required). Students should practice their multiplication facts and know them so they are ready for fractions, decimals and multi-step word problems. Encourage your child to write often keeping a journal developing daily writing habits is key. If you go on vacation this summer, encourage your child to take the journal with them and write a little bit about their trip each day. Encourage social skills and help learners make good choices. All these things will help your child achieve success this coming school year.

The fifth grade staff looks forward to working with you and your child. Have a fantastic summer.

Ms. Hence, Mr. Jones, Ms. Townsend, Ms. Wade, Ms. Philips, and Ms. Duncan