Cornerstone Evangelical Baptist Church

CORNERSTONE ACADEMY

Academic Preschool through 8th Grade

Summer Reading: 3rd to 4th Grade

Dear Students and Parents,

At Cornerstone Academy, we want our students to develop good habits and attitudes toward learning (with the mind that God has given them.). With that in mind, you will have a summer reading assignment to be completed before the start of the new school year.

Studies show that children who read *four or more age-appropriate books* over the summer do better on reading tests in the fall than those who read one or no books over the summer. And asking questions about what your child is reading can help with comprehension.

Motivating your child does not have to be costly and can even be free by visiting your local library. Here are a few ways to help your child keep their reading skills sharp:

- Let your child choose a book they want to read
- Encourage your child to read from different genres

There are so many genres, or types, of books to choose from, but the most important thing to remember is to choose something interesting and fun. As you travel on vacation, hang out at the park or pool, or just relax in your bedroom, find a great book to keep you company.

The two *required* book titles are <u>STUART LITTLE</u> by E.B. White and <u>I SURVIVED THE SAN FRANCISCO EARTHQUAKE</u>, 1906 by Lauren Tarshis. Included in this letter are the reading response worksheets that your child will be required to read and complete before the start of 4th grade. An assessment will be given on the content of the reading on the first full week of school.

We recommend that you get started soon! Summer will be over before you know it!

Find a good book and have a wonderful summer. Happy reading!

Sincerely,

3rd Grade Teachers