

CORNERSTONE ACADEMY Academic Preschool through 8th Grade

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Summer Reading: 4th to 5th Grade

Dear Parents,

At Cornerstone Academy, we want students to develop good habits and attitudes toward learning with the mind that God has given them. Our hope is that you have that same mindset for your child. Your child's summer reading assignment is to be completed during the summer before the 5th grade year.

Studies have proven that children who read more usually perform better at school. In addition, reading helps your child in other subject areas such as Language Arts, History, Math, and Science. Reading is essential in being a life-long learner. We encourage you to read along with your child and ask them questions regarding the material to build and develop comprehension skills.

Motivating your child to read does not have to be costly and can be even free by visiting your local library. Here are a few ways to help your child sharpen his/her reading skills:

- Let your child choose books he/she is interested in
- Be sure the book is at your child's level
- Encourage your child to read from different genres
- Challenge your child to move up in reading level when ready

The two *required* books your child needs to read before the start of 5th grade are:

Chocolate Fever by Robert Kimmel Smith Frindle by Andrew Clements

A worksheet for each of the required books is due the first week of the fifth grade. In addition, the fifth grade teachers will be collecting the Summer Reading Bingo sheet. The goal of the Summer Reading Bingo is to encourage your child to read from different genres over the summer. The sheets are attached.

We recommend that your child get started as soon as possible! Summer will be over before you know it.

Find some good books and have a wonderful summer. Happy reading!

Sincerely,

4th Grade Teachers