

Welcome to Fifth Grade '23-24

We wish you a great, fun filled summer. Before you know it, September will be here. We don't want you to forget everything you learned in fourth grade, so you have THREE homework assignments to complete over the summer!

1. Keep a writer's notebook. Purchase a marbled composition book (9¾ x 7½) that contains at least 100 pages (the more pages the better!) and write 4 to 5 entries. **TWO of these entries MUST BE "small moments" or personal narratives.** The rest of your entries can be personal narratives, creative writing, realistic fiction, information about a topic you know a lot about, or an essay about something you are passionate about. Each entry should be about a page long, in your neatest handwriting. You can also type them and tape them in your notebook if you prefer. Try living a writer's life this summer by observing the world around you and writing about it. **Please do not purchase "spiral-bound" composition books or leather bound journals!**
2. Make sure you have reviewed your math facts! You must know your addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division facts. That means at least a grade of 95% on the 5 minute test. You'll be tested on all the facts in September. Be Prepared! Your 4th grade teachers will share with you a list of links for you to practice your facts. In addition, they will give you an optional math packet named "Step Up to Fifth Grade." You can work on this during the summer if you would like.
3. Record all the books that you read on the Ridge Summer Reading Log. The books you choose should be at a level that is just right for you. Once you read a book, write the following in your log: the date you finished the book, the name and author of the book, and the number of pages in the book. By the way, you can always read and write more than we're suggesting. We'd love that! A blank copy of the Reading Log is on the fifth grade web page and has been shared with you through Google Docs.

Please Note: All supplies ordered this past spring from H.S.A. will be in school when you arrive in September. If you didn't order through the H.S.A., don't worry about getting your supplies before school starts. We'll make all supplies due the first full week of school. A copy of the supplies is on the school's website under "school supplies".

Have fun! Swim! Read! Relax! Have a great summer!

From,

Your Fifth Grade
Teachers