

Dear Parents/Guardians and Students,

Welcome to fourth grade! We are so excited to meet all of you in September! This letter includes some information that will help you to prepare for next year.

Summer Reading Information:

For Summer of 2021, summer reading will be a **book of choice**. Research supports that children enjoy reading, and exhibit the best comprehension when reading what they have chosen themselves. Students may choose any book of any genre to read over the summer months. Books chosen should be grade level appropriate. As a small wrap-up project, students will create a poster (any size) that represents the theme of the story. The theme is the central message that the author wants the reader to know, and the theme should be a universal message that is not necessarily specific to the story. Please have students include the following information on their poster:

- Title of the book
- Author
- Two-three sentences explaining the theme of the book. (If students choose a non-fiction book, please create a poster representing the main idea of the reading.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you need some recommended books for summer reading!

Summer Reading Challenge:

This summer, there is a new recording system for the summer reading challenge. Students are encouraged to read at least 750 minutes over the summer. As we know, summer reading helps students keep their minds active, and prevents the “summer slide”! Please see the flyer from Mrs. Phillips by using the attached link below.

<https://www.smore.com/y8xwp>

Additional Information:

In addition to reading, students are encouraged to practice some skills on IXL. Students do not need to complete the entire skill set. Summer should definitely be a time of relaxation and rejuvenation! Summer practice is not designed to overwhelm students with work, but to ensure that they retain previously acquired skills, and that they keep their minds fresh! The following IXL 3rd grade math skills are recommended for review:

MATH:

B.1: Place value

C.14: Addition

D.7: Subtraction

F.3-F.13-: Practice Multiplication Facts

K.13: Practice Division

J (all): Division Skill Builders

Please find the 4th grade supplies list attached on the following page.

We wish you all a wonderful, safe, and restful summer vacation! We can't wait to see you in September! We are available via email throughout the summer months if any questions should arise.

Sincerely,

Miss Brautigan and Miss Gil

Contact Information:

Miss Brautigan: jbrautigan@stbartseb.com

Miss Gil: agil@stbartseb.com

SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST

On the first day of school, please send all supplies in with your child's name on it!

- 1 Five Subject Notebook (labeled Math, ELA, Social Studies, Science, Religion)
- 1 Blue Folder (labeled Math)
- 1 Red Folder (labeled Social Studies/ Science/ Religion)
- 1 Purple Folder (labeled ELA)
- 1 Folder for Specials (labeled Specials)
- 1 pack of Colored Pencils and/or Markers
- Small expo markers (for individual small whiteboards)
- 2 black sharpies
- Erasers
- 3 highlighters
- 2 or more small glue sticks (NO liquid glue)
- Scissors
- 1 large book sox, 1 medium
- Clear contact paper (to cover books, leave at home)
- 2 or more boxes of Kleenex
- 1 or more containers of Clorox disinfectant wipes
- 1 large bottle of hand sanitizer
- 1 Supply Pouch (No Boxes)
- Backpack with your child's name in it

Optional Donations:

- Ziploc bags (snack, sandwich, and/or gallon sized)