



Date: June 22, 2011  
To: Incoming 3rd Grade Students and Parents  
From: Mrs. Walker  
Subject: Summer Reading and Math Practice

Greetings to all of you and congratulations on a successful 2nd grade year! Summer is a time for much deserved rest, recreation, and time with family and friends. However, it is very important to keep up our academic skills over the summer.

This year, I am asking that all incoming 3<sup>rd</sup> graders join a summer reading program at their local library. After reading several books, students are to choose the book that they would recommend to their class, and write a short review (three complete sentences with drawing). The form for the book review is attached to this letter. Please bring the completed list of books read from the library program and the book review on the first day of school in September.

Practice your math facts regularly over the summer. Use flash cards for addition, subtraction, and multiplication. Students, if you find yourself pausing on certain facts or counting on your fingers, put that card aside and study it until you know it without hesitation. Mastery of these basic math facts is essential for success in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade math.

Enjoy your summer vacation! I am looking forward to teaching this wonderful class. It's going to be a great year!

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_



## **Book Review**

**Title:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Author:** \_\_\_\_\_

**You should read this book because** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Parent's signature** \_\_\_\_\_