



Dear Families,

Summertime is a relaxing break from school routines, BUT that doesn't mean that young minds should take a break! Reading is a fun, calming activity that will help prepare for the next grade level by stimulating brains. In fact, did you know that according to researchers at John Hopkins University, students can lose a total of two to three months of reading achievement over summer vacation. Another study out of Harvard found that reading four to five books over the summer can prevent a decline in reading achievement scores from spring to fall. Let's learn from these two studies, and prevent achievement loss by reading some good books over summer vacation!

We are encouraging all students to complete and color in as many "Who, What, Where, When, and How" boxes on the back of this letter as possible over these upcoming summer months. Have FUN with these silly reading tasks! How many boxes can you color? Will you end up coloring more than your friends? Return your summer reading sheet to your new teacher by August 30, 2019.

Happy Reading!

Student's name: _____

Fall 2019 Classroom Teacher: _____



Color in each box that you complete this summer, and then turn it into your new teacher by Friday, August 30, 2019.

WHO?

WHAT?

WHERE?

WHEN?

HOW?

Read to someone who is younger than you.	Read a book that a friend recommends.	Read at the park.	Read while standing in a line.	Read in the dark with a flashlight.
Read to a relative over the phone.	Read something that is informational (or non-fiction).	Read in the bathtub.	Read while driving in the car.	Read aloud with a accent.
Read to a pet or a stuffed animal.	Read something from an award list at your local library.	Read by a pond, lake, river, or ocean.	Read early in the morning before anyone is awake.	Read wearing sunglasses.
Read to a friend or a sibling.	Read an old favorite.	Read under the stars.	Read while on a day trip or a vacation.	Read aloud in a silly voice.
Read to someone who is older than you.	Read something that is out of your comfort zone.	Read in another town, city, state, or country.	Read while having a picnic.	Read wearing your bathing suit.