



Dear parents,

Your child has worked very hard on reading this year. They will need to continue to practice, just like with any other skill. Every time your child reads, they will become better at reading.

There is a lot of research on what educators call “summer slide.” Many children return to school in the fall not reading as well as when they left at the beginning of the summer. You can help prevent summer slide by making sure your child reads every day. Just ten or fifteen minutes a day can keep your child from losing the new skills they have gained during the school year. Think of your child’s reading skills as muscles. If they don’t use them, they lose their firmness.

Please help by setting time aside each day for reading, perhaps in the evening after dinner. I know you will find it to be enjoyable and rewarding! Have a wonderful summer!

Sincerely,

