



Dear New Fifth Grade Families,








Welcome to the fifth grade! We hope that this letter will help you prepare for the upcoming year.

In order for your child not to lose ground over the summer, here are some suggestions:

**Summer Reading:** We would love for your child to participate in Mira Vista's Summer Reading Program. The goal for the summer is that your child will read an average of 20 minutes 5 days a week (but more is always better!). Those that participate will be invited to a Reading Celebration at the beginning of the year.

**Summer Math:** Please practice your math facts, especially multiplication. Prodigy is a fun way for students to do so. Complete fourth grade in Khan Academy.

**Summer Writing:** Having your child keep a summer diary would be awesome! Please encourage your child to respond in complete sentences.

- School Supplies:**
-  A package of sharpened pencils
  -  A backpack to carry homework, Wednesday folders, and library books to and from school
  -  2 composition books (not spiral bound)
  -  1-inch 3-ring binder with subject dividers (NOT any larger than 1 1/2")
  -  Loose-leaf wide-ruled paper
  -  2 green pens to correct homework
  -  2 packs of 3"x3" post-it notes, any color

**First Day of School:** The first day of school is a minimum day, class will be dismissed at 1:51 pm. Every other day is a 2:45 pm dismissal in fifth grade, except Wednesdays which is always a minimum day.

**Daily Snacks:** Your student is welcome to bring a snack to eat during the day. It must be a small, healthy snack, such as a fruit or vegetable. Students are not allowed to drink juice or eat any junk food in class. Room 19 is a peanut free zone.

**Homework:** Fifth Grade assigns homework every night except weekends. Please make sure to attend **Back to School Night, September 7th**, to hear all of the great details for Fifth Grade!

**Communication:** Please keep your eyes open for an email list that will go out at the beginning of the year. We will also send home monthly newsletters and we'll be giving you our Remind Class information as well.

**Wish List:** If you would like to donate supplies to your classroom, we can always use kleenex, dry erase markers, paper towels, and 3"x3" post-it notes.

Sincerely,  
*5th Grade Teachers*