

Dear future fourth grade students,

We are so excited to have all of you in the fourth grade next year! We have heard so many wonderful things about your class from your third grade teachers. Over the summer you will be asked to complete a math and reading assignment to prepare for the fourth grade. Please have these assignments completed and ready to turn in on the first day of school. We hope you all have a fun and relaxing summer! We can't wait to get to know you better next school year! See you in August!

Mrs. Goff and Miss Mitsch



Summer Reading Assignment for Incoming Fourth Graders

Reading: Read the book *Charlotte's Web*. Every student is to complete the comprehension questions below. Also, choose one of the following activities to bring to class the first day of school.

1. Make a large grid on poster board with 24 boxes. Write a letter of the alphabet in each box in ABC order. (Put XYZ in one box). Try to think of a word or phrase that begins with each letter. You might name characters, events, objects, or any word related to the story. See if you can get a word for all of the letters. Illustrate each box.
2. Weave a web. You can design a web using straws, craft sticks, or any other kind of sticks. Cross them so there are six spokes. Use yarn to spin a web in and out and around the sticks. The longer the spokes, the bigger the web will be. Make a spider out of pipe cleaners or any other material and add a few bugs to the web. If you feel really clever, try putting a word in your web.
3. This story is full of facts about spiders. You could create a learning log where you will record different "spider facts" that you learn. You can also add pictures and any other data that you discover. Some of the things that you could research might include: how a spider spins a web, the parts of a spider, different webs made by different kinds of spiders, how a spider catches its prey (warning: this may be somewhat gory), correct terminology (spiderling, spinneret, etc.) In addition, there are many facts about farm life. You could compile information on how a farm operates and write a short report on it.

Charlotte's Web Comprehension Questions

Answer all of the following questions on loose-leaf paper. Make sure you write in cursive and use complete sentences.

1. How is Templeton funny in this story? Give at least two examples.
2. What happened in the barn that cheered Wilbur up after Charlotte died?
3. Why doesn't Fern visit Wilbur in the barn as often at the end of the story?
4. Why does Templeton call the Fair a rat's paradise?
5. Describe Charlotte's masterpiece.
6. What did Avery do when Lurvy splashed water all over him at the fair?
7. How did Wilbur convince Templeton to get Charlotte's egg sac and put it in the crate?
8. Name one word that Charlotte wrote in her web to describe Wilbur. Explain why she chose that word.
9. Charlotte saved Wilbur's life. Why did she do that?
10. What lesson could be learned from reading this book?

Summer Math Assignment for Incoming Fourth Graders

A few weeks ago in The Pacelli Post you received a Summer Solutions flyer explaining how to order this workbook for your student's summer math assignment. In case you missed this, please order:

Level 3 Original Mathematics

The website is: <https://www.summersolutions.net>

Our school code is: CAR45226

Please complete the entire workbook and turn it in on the first day of school.

Please practice math facts (addition, subtraction, multiplication, division). Timed math facts quizzes will begin the first week of the school year. In the fourth grade it is extremely important that these facts are mastered!