

Dear Parents of Rising Fifth Graders,

Summer is a great time to play, relax, **read**, and . . . sharpen those **math** skills!

Reading

The required summer reading is *The Liberation of Gabriel King* by K.L. Going. Families may purchase the novels. This title is also available as an eBook through the online St. Michael's library. Students should be ready to discuss their understanding of the plot, characters, and setting upon return to school in August.

In addition, students are to read at least two other books. Feel free to choose from the list that follows. However, students are not required to select books from this list. Students should list the books they read this summer on a piece of paper or print the book list from the website and highlight the books they read.

Math

Fact fluency is necessary for higher-level computation and problem solving. Rising fifth grade students are expected to know the following to automaticity (within 3 seconds):

- **addition and subtraction facts to 20**
- **multiplication and division facts through 12**

In addition to traditional flash cards, there are many websites that offer fun activities to strengthen students' fact fluency. These websites also offer activities for reinforcing Math skills in addition to fact fluency.

www.aplusmath.com www.coolmath.com www.funbrain.com www.mathisfun.com

Below is a list of websites that offer activities for review, practice, and challenge.

www.aaamath.com www.coolmath.com www.figurethis.org www.math.com
www.mathisfun.com www.mathgoodies.com/games www.thesingaporemaths.com

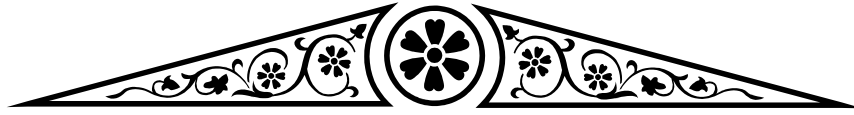
Fifth graders must be proficient at multiplying two-digit numbers by two-digit numbers and solving long division problems (three-digit dividend divided by one-digit divisor.) Summer practice of these skills is encouraged.

Students may benefit from using a grade-level workbook during the summer. Barnes and Noble carries Singapore Math review books, and the Tri-C summer workbooks (*4th Grade Math Review*) may be ordered from www.summerskills.com.

Enjoy the summer! We look forward to a fantastic fifth grade year with you and your children!

Sincerely,

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Summer Reading Requirements:

The Liberation of Gabriel King by K. L. Going

Please be ready to discuss your understanding of the plot, characters, and setting. We will be spending the first two weeks of school discussing this novel.

In addition, you are to read **two** other books. Feel free to choose from the suggested list below. We want you to sit back, relax, and read.

Please list the books you have read this summer on this piece of paper, OR you may highlight the ones on the suggested reading list.

Summer Reading Requirement

The Liberation of Gabriel King by K.L. Going

ACTION ADVENTURE

Appelt, Kathi *The Underneath**

Bosch, Pseudonymous, Bosch *The Name of This Book is Secret* (series)

Creech, Sharon *The Wanderer* *

Epstein, Adam *The Familiars* (series)

Flanagan, John *Ranger's Apprentice: the ruins of Gorlan* (series)

Lupica, Mike *Hero*

Patterson, James *The Angel Experiment* (series); *Treasure Hunters* (series)

Potter, Ellen *The Kneebone Boy*

Riordan, Rick *The Lost Hero* (series)

Smith, Roland *Tentacles: Independence Hall* (series)

BONE RATTLERS

Black, Holly *Doll Bones*

DeFelice Cynthia, *The Ghost of Fossil Glen*

Grabenstein, Chris *The Crossroads*

Hahn, Mary Downing *The Old Willis Place: a ghost story; The Ghost of Crutchfield Hall*

Klise, Kate *Dying to Meet You* (series)

Lubar, Dave *The Curse of the Campfire Weenies*

Scieszka, Jon *Terrifying Tales; Thriller*

COOL CLASSICS

Armstrong, William H. *Souder**

Burnett, Frances Hodgson *The Secret Garden*

L'Engle, Madeleine *A Wrinkle in Time**

Lewis, C.S. *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe*

Montgomery, L.M. *Anne of Green Gables* (series)

Stevenson, Robert Louis *Treasure Island*

FIFTH GRADE FAVORITES

Applegate, Katherine *The One and Only Ivan**

Feldman, Jody *The Gollywopper Games*

Frost, Helen *Hidden*

Mull, Brandon *The Candy Shop War* (series)

O'Doherty, David *Danger is Everywhere; Danger is Still Everywhere*

Park, Linda Sue *A Long Walk to Water*

Riordan, Rick *The Lightning Thief* (series); *Heroes of Olympus* (series)

FLY WITH FANTASY

Armstrong, Kelley *Loki's Wolves*

Buckley, Michael *The Fairy-Tale Detectives* (Sisters Grimm series)

Chainani, Soman *The School for Good and Evil* (series)

Colfer, Eoin *Artemis Fowl* (series)

DiCamillo, Kate *Flora & Ulysses**; *The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane*

Jinks, Catherine *How to Catch a Bogle*

Levine, Gail Carson *Ella Enchanted**

Lin, Grace *Starry River of the Sky* (companion to *Where the Mountain Meets the Moon*)

Lin, Grace *Where the Mountain Meets the Moon* *

Littlewood, Kathryn *Bliss* (series)

Martin, Ann M. *The Doll People* (series)

McMann, Lisa *The Unwanted* (series)

Riley, James *Story Thieves* (series)

Scott, Michael *The Alchemyst* (series)

Stanley, Diane *The Silver Bowl*

Trivas, Tracy *The Wish Stealers*

Ursu, Anne *Breadcrumbs*

GRAPHIC NOVELS

Bell, Cece *El Deafo**

Hale, Nathan *One Dead Spy (series)*

Hale, Shannon *Rapunzel's Revenge*

Hatke, Ben *Zita the Spacegirl. Book One, Far From Home (series)*

Herge, *The Adventures of Tintin (series)*

Jamieson, Victoria *Roller Girl**

Kibuishi, Kazu *Amulet. Book One, The Stonekeeper (series)*

Smith, Jeff *Bone (series)*

Telgemeier, Raina *Smile; Sisters*

Watson, Tom *Stick Dog (series)*

JUST THE FACTS

Ballard, Robert *Exploring the Titanic*

DK Eyewitness (any book in the series)

Grogan, John *Marley: a dog like no other (196 p. version)*

Howard, Tim *The Keeper: the unguarded story of Tim Howard (Young Readers' Edition)*

Nelson, Kadir *We are the Ship: the story of the Negro baseball league*

Mazer, Anne and Potter, Ellen *Spilling Ink: a young writer's handbook*

Murphy, Jim *Savage Thunder: Antietam and the Bloody Road to Freedom*

Myron, Vicki with Brett Witter *Dewey the Library Cat*

Scieska, Jon *True Stories*

Swanson, James L. *Chasing Lincoln's Killer; Bloody Times: the funeral of Abraham Lincoln and the manhunt for Jefferson Davis*

Thomas, Keltie *How Basketball Works*

Treaster, Joseph B. *Hurricane Force : in the path of America's deadliest storms*

Who is/Who Was Biography books (series)

What Was the Boston Tea Party? (What Was ...? series)

Where is the Great Wall? (Where Is ... series)

Woodson, Jacqueline *Brown Girl Dreaming**

LOL

Angleberger, Tom *The Strange Case of Origami Yoda (series); Fake Mustache*

Barnett, Mac *The Terrible Two; The Terrible Two Get Worse*

Barry, Dave *The Worst Class Trip Ever*

Clark, Henry *What We Found in the Sofa and How it Changed the World*

Hiaasen, Carl *Hoot*; Flush; Scat*

Korman, Gordon *No More Dead Dogs, The 6th Grade Nickname Game*

McMullan, Kate *Have a Hot Time, Hades! (series)*

Paulsen, Gary *Lawn Boy; Lawn Boy Returns; Harris and Me*

Pierce, Lincoln *Big Nate in a Class by Himself (series)*

Scieszka, Jon *Funny Business*

POETRY

Creech, Sharon *Love that Dog*
Dahl, Rod *Vile Verses*
Prelutsky, Jack *My Dog May be a Genius*
Silverstein, Shel *Where the Sidewalk Ends*
Kennedy, Caroline *Poems to Learn by Heart*

REAL WORLD

Clements, Andrew *Extra Credit; Lunch Money*
Creech, Sharon *Walk Two Moons**
Draper, Sharon *Out of My Mind*
Giff, Patricia Reilly *Pictures of Hollis Woods **
Hunt, Lynda M. *One for the Murphys; Fish in a Tree*
Korman, Gordon *Swindle (series); Ungifted*
Lord, Cynthia *Rules**
Mass, Wendy *11 Birthdays (series); Every Soul a Star*
Naylor, Phyllis Reynolds *Faith, Hope and Ivy June*
Palacio, R.J. *Wonder; Auggie & Me: three wonder stories; 365 Days of Wonder:Mr. Browne's Book of Precepts*
Patterson, James *Middle School: the worst years of my life (series) I Funny (series)*
Paulsen, Gary *The Foxman; Hatchet* (series)*
Rylander, Chris *The Fourth Stall (series)*
Spinelli, Jerry *Maniac Magee *; Stargirl; Love, Stargirl*
Urban, Linda *Hound Dog True*

SCIENCE FICTION

Dashner, James A *Mutiny in Time (series)*
Haddix, Margaret Peterson *Found (series); Under Their Skin; Among the Hidden (series)*
Holm, Jennifer *The Fourteenth Goldfish*
Scieszka, Jon *Other Worlds*

SPORTS

Feinstein, John *Last shot : a Final Four mystery*
Gutman, Dan *Roberto and Me (series)*
Lupica, Mike *Travel Team, Heat; Fantasy League*
Scieszka, Jon *The Sports Pages*
Wolff, Virginia Euwer *BAT 6*

SPY FICTION

Gibbs, Stuart *Spy School (series)*
Horowitz, Anthony *Stormbreaker (series)*

TAKE ME BACK

Barrow, Randi *Saving Zasha; Finding Zasha (prequel)*
Brink, Carol Ryrie *Caddie Woodlawn**
Larson, Kirby *Hattie Big Sky*
Mazer, Harry *A Boy at War: a novel of Pearl Harbor*
Miller, Sarah *Miss Spitfire: reaching Helen Keller*
Paulsen, Gary *Woods Runner*
Philbrick, W. R. *The Mostly True Adventures of Homer P. Figg**
Salisbury, Graham *Night of the Howling Dogs*
Schmidt, Gary *The Wednesday Wars**; *Okay for Now* (companion book)
Selznick, Brian *The Invention of Hugo Cabret; Wonderstruck; The Marvels*
Watts, Jeri H. *Kizzy Ann Stamps*

TRADITIONAL LITERATURE

D'Aulaire, Ingri *D'Aulaire's Book of Greek Myths*
D'Aulaire, Ingri *D'Aulaire's Book of Norse Myths*
Napoli, Donna Jo *Treasury of Greek Mythology*

WHO DID IT?

Angleberger, Tom *Horton Halfpott*
Broach, Elise *Masterpiece; Shakespeare's Secret*
Corbett, Sue *12 Again*
Grabenstein, Chris *Escape From Mr. Lemoncello's Library: Mr. Lemoncello's Library Olympics*
Mass, Wendy *The Candymakers*
Potter, Ellen *Slob*
Selfors, Suzanne *Smells like Dog* (series)
Turnage, Sheila *Three Times Lucky**

PARENT SUGGESTIONS

Miller, Donalyn *The Book Whisperer: Awakening the Inner Reader in Every Child; Reading in the Wild*
Mogel, Wendy *The Blessing of a B Minus; The Blessing of a Skinned Knee*

* Newbery Award or Honor Books