



SUMMER WORK – INCOMING 4th GRADERS

A. **Novel: Pick two books off this list and be ready to take an AR test when school begins in August.**

- *Dear America Books*(any)
- *The Kicks* by Alex Morgan
- *Diary of a Wimpy Kid Books* by Jeff Kinney
- *I Survive Books* by Lauren Tarshis
- *Wings of Fire Series* by Tui T. Sutherland
- *City Spys* by James Ponti
- *Warrior Series* by Erin Hunter
- *Secret Garden* by Frances Hodgson Burnett
- *Roald Dahl Books*(any)
- *Land of Stories* by Chris Koler

B. **Poetry**

Memorize the poem; *I Love You California* by F.B. Silverwood

I Love You California

I love you, California, you're the greatest state of all
I love you in the winter, summer, spring, and in the fall.
I love your fertile valleys; your dear mountains I adore,
I love your grand old ocean and I love her rugged shore.

I love your redwood forests; land of honey, fruit and wine,
I love you, California; you have won this heart of mine.
I love your old gray Missions – love your vineyards stretching far,
I love you, California, with your Golden Gates ajar.

When the snow crowned Golden Sierras
Keep their watch o'er the valleys bloom.
It is there I would be in our land by the sea,
It is Home Sweet Home to me.



C. Math Review

Students should enter the fourth grade with multiplication facts mastered. Students should be able to complete both sides of the fact sheet in under ten minutes. Practice over the summer while traveling in the car, use flash cards, answer a fact as you jump off the diving board, or find a fun game on the computer. A few websites you can try are: mathplayground.com, multiplication.com and khanacademy.com.

Note Well: This is the summer assignment for the incoming 4th graders. The students need to read the novel, memorize the poem, and math skills in preparation for the diagnostic assessment that takes place during the first week of school.

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