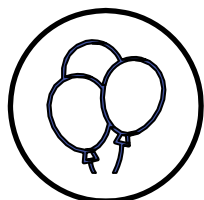


SUMMER/BTS NEWSLETTER

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STAY COOL, TFA!

Studies show that kids who don't have access to books over the summer lose up to 2 months of reading performance. And that gap continues to widen. So what can we do to prevent the "summer slide"?

- Visit the library
- Read to, and with your child.
- Model what fluent reading sounds like.
- Read for different purposes: cookbooks, instructions manuals, and magazines all count!
- Play games with words
- Keep a stack of books & a flashlight by their bed.
- Limit screen time!!

Look for learning opportunities everywhere this summer!

- Telling time on an analog clock
- Adding & subtracting with money on trips to the grocery store.
- Measuring while cooking
- Discussing and making healthy choices
- If they haven't already... tying shoes!

SUMMER READING PROJECT

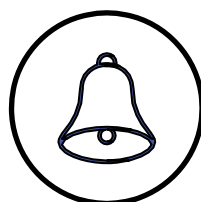
Choose a book on their level to read (or read together as a family) and complete a project to be turned in on **the first day of school**.

Suggested titles include: Charlie and the Chocolate Factory (or any title by Roald Dahl), The Magic Treehouse series, The Flashback Four series, or books written by the author Andrew Clements. Whatever you decide, it should be something your child is comfortable with and excited about!

This year, we will be reading math stories, science fiction, and endurance stories. Feel free to explore these topics in your summer reading!

Some project ideas include:

- A skit or play recorded
- A song, dance, or rap
- A diorama of a favorite scene
- "Book in a box"- a box containing objects that represent important parts of the story, explained on notecards.
- An interview with a favorite character
- A puppet show
- A detailed map of your story



UPCOMING EVENTS

Orientation: TBD

First Day of School: Wednesday, 8/23

The first week of school will be early release (12:30)

"As long as you're learning, you're not failing."

- Bob Ross



Meet your Teachers



Hi! My name is Ms. Mandi. This is my 17th year at The Foundation Academy. I love reading, art, gardening, cooking, bird-watching, and spending time with my husband & 2 kids. We are going to learn some really cool things this year!



Hello! My name is Ms. Victoria. This will be my 5th year teaching. I am a Florida native who loves the outdoors. Making learning fun and trying new things is my specialty. I look forward to a great year!

I'm Ms. Nakea. This is my 1st year at TFA and I'm very excited to teach the 3rd & 4th grade. I love cooking and spending time with my husband and 2 kids. I can't wait to go on this journey with you!



I'm Ms. Julie! This summer, I am moving to TFA from New York. I recently finished my Master's in Elementary Education from SUNY Albany. My favorite subject to teach is ELA/Reading. When I have free time, I like to go to the beach, read, take dance classes and watch old Hollywood musicals. I can't wait to meet everyone soon!

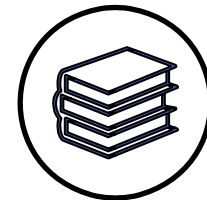


IMPORTANT HOMEWORK!

Learning independence and responsibility are SO important to success in the 3rd & 4th grade! These are practices that can be built at home over the summer.

Pick a few chores/responsibilities from the list provided. The purpose of them being not to earn money or privileges, but to contribute to the family and learn the traits they need!

- Pick up & put away toys
- Load/unload dishwasher, put away dishes
- Collect and sort laundry, fold & put away clothes
- Make bed, get dressed, brush teeth & hair every day, unassisted
- Set & clear table
- Take out garbage & recycle
- Sweep, vacuum
- Help prepare simple meals



ONLINE RESOURCES

Looking for some more reading resources? No problem! We've set up a special account on Readworks filled with articles, stories and poems just for your student!

Log onto: www.readworks.org

Class Code: **SXZ3BK**

Password: 1234

Libby is a free app for downloading ebooks & audiobooks from the library. All you need is a library card!

Khanacademy.org is another great free resource for math practice, reading, and much more!



SUPPLY LIST FOR 2022-23

- 4- composition notebooks
- 2 boxes of pencils
- 3 3-prong folders w/ pockets.
- 1 pack Index cards
- Sketchbook
- Headphones (not Bluetooth)
- Lysol wipes
- Box of tissues
- Box of snacks to share
- Water bottle

*Please **do not** send in: backpacks, microwaveable lunches, toys, candy, electronics.