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Dear Incoming Fifth-Grader,

Everyone is looking forward to the summer! However, it is important to keep using the skills you learned in fourth grade so you will be prepared for fifth-grade. The fifth-grade teachers have created a summer reading program to keep you reading!

Choose one of the following books to read over the summer:

Bud, Not Buddy by Christopher Paul Curtis

Crispin by Avi

Julie of the Wolves by Jean Craighead George

As you read, take notes on the **story elements of characters, setting and plot** (the story problem, important story events and solution). In September on the second day of fifth grade, you will be asked to write about the book you read. You will receive a grade for the assignment. It would be helpful to have your book and any notes you made.

Enjoy your summer, sit in the shade and read these wonderful books! See you in September!

The Fifth-Grade Teachers

