## Dear Parents/Guardians.

As the school year winds down and summer approaches, we want to encourage our K-4 students to continue their journey of learning and discovery! While summer break is a wonderful time for relaxation and fun, it's also a crucial period to reinforce the skills they've gained and explore new interests.

To support your child's continued growth, we've compiled a list of engaging and educational websites and apps that are perfect for K-4 students. Many of these resources offer a blend of academic practice and fun, ensuring your child remains motivated while learning.

## **Recommended Websites:**

- **Education.com:** This site offers a vast library of worksheets, games, activities, and even guided lessons for various subjects like math, reading, writing, and typing. They have resources categorized by grade level, making it easy to find appropriate content.
- **ABCya!:** Full of free educational games for kids in Pre-K through 6th grade, covering subjects like language arts, math, science, and social studies.
- PBS KIDS: Features a wide array of videos and games with popular characters that are both entertaining and educational, focusing on early literacy, math, and social-emotional development.
- **Starfall:** An excellent resource for building reading and math skills through interactive games and activities, especially for younger learners.
- **BrainPOP Jr.:** Designed for K-3, this platform offers animated educational videos and activities across various subjects, making complex concepts easy to understand and fun.
- <u>Coolmath.com</u>- Math games for students of all grades and levels.

## **Recommended Apps:**

- **Khan Academy Kids:** A completely free app offering a joyful learning experience for children ages 2-8. It covers early literacy, reading, writing, language, and math through engaging games, interactive activities, and animated videos.
- **ABCmouse:** This subscription-based app provides a comprehensive curriculum for ages 2-8, covering reading, math, science, art, and more through a wide range of learning activities and videos.
- YouTube Kids: This app is specifically designed for children, offering age-appropriate
  educational videos and content, allowing kids to explore various topics in a safe
  environment. Parents can also set controls to customize the child's experience.
- SplashLearn: Focuses on making math and ELA skills fun and effective through interactive games. It adapts to your child's skill level and aligns with Common Core standards.
- Duolingo ABC: A great, free app for introducing young children to basic vocabulary and pronunciation in different languages through a gamified approach, fostering an appreciation for other cultures.

We encourage you to explore these resources with your child and find what sparks their curiosity. Remember, the goal is to make learning a fun and positive experience during the summer break. Even short, consistent periods of engagement can make a significant difference.

Enjoy your summer,

The K-4 team