

Incoming 5th Grade Summer Reading Instructions

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Below you will find a list of novels that we selected for summer reading. We ask that the students choose one book from the list (preferably one that they have not read.) During the first week of school, the students will complete a comprehension quiz only on the novel they chose to read from the list.

Al Capone Does My Shirts by: Gennifer Choldenko

Hoot by: Carl Hiaasen

The Lion, The Witch, and The Wardrobe by: C. S. Lewis

The students are also required to read one biography. They may read about any individual. They should complete the accompanying sheet to be turned in on the first day of school. This will be graded.

Also, the students will be required to complete 10 hours on IXL. The web site is <https://www.ixl.com/signin/shschool> Their sign in is their first initial and last name (all in lowercase) followed by @shschool.org and the password is: shg. The students should work on the following topics during the 10 hours.

A 1,2 B 1 C 1 F 1,2 G 1 I 1 BB 1,3 DD 1 EE 1,2,3
FF 1,2,3 JJ 1,2,3,4,7,11 KK 1,2,3,4,5,6,8,9 LL 1,2,3,4,5,6,8,9 MM 1
NN 1,2 OO 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10 PP 1,2 RR 1 SS 1,2 VV 1,2

We hope you have a blessed summer. We look forward to working with you and your children in the upcoming school year.

Mrs. Coleman and Mrs. Malcotti

Name: _____

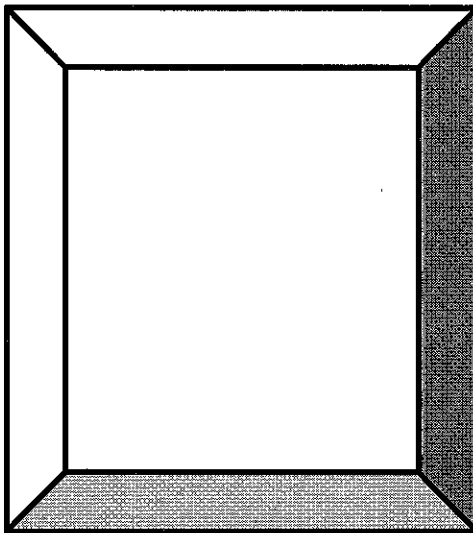
Biography of _____

Early Life:

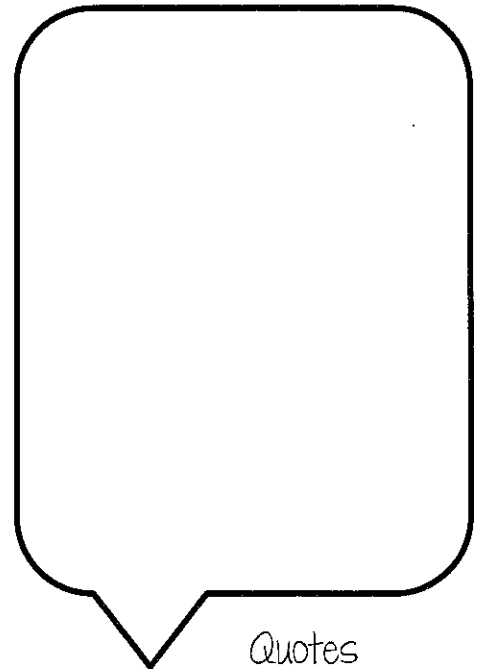
Adult Life:

Why is he/she famous?

Interesting Fact:



Picture and Caption



Quotes

Personality Traits:

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Facts:

Birth Date: _____

Death Date: _____

Family (Parents, Siblings, Spouses):

Place Born: _____

Timeline of Important Events:



How has he/she influenced others?

Sources (books, websites, articles):

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Dear Parents and Guardians of Sacred Heart School:

Amazing. Summer is already here, and you probably have already planned your summer break for your family. For a smooth transition from fourth grade to fifth grade mathematics, students must take some time during the summer weeks to retain the knowledge they have acquired by working so hard this past school year. Many studies indicate that "summer lag" causes students to lose far too much information during the summer vacation. We want to avoid this from happening by providing resources for students to review mathematics material during the summer and to be better prepared for fifth grade.

Students will participate in a program they are familiar with: IXL. Students will be required to complete the IXL Summer Boost for Math between the first day of summer break to Labor Day.

IXL is a comprehensive learning program offering unlimited practice problems covering thousands of skills. These skills are aligned with the AOB curriculum and the Maryland State Standards for Mathematics. The IXL Summer Boost for Math records the amount of time spent working, individual progress, and gives math teachers valuable data to best serve our students.

The IXL Summer Boost for Math is 4 weeks long and provides students with five skills for each week. A total of 20 IXL Summer Boost skills for Math is required for students to complete. Students must attain a Smart Score of 80 to 100 for each skill. Each skill with a Smart Score of 80 or higher will be worth 1 point toward a math grade at the beginning of the new school year.

On the back of this introduction letter is the IXL link to the Sacred Heart portal. Students are encouraged to work at least 15 to 30 minutes per day for each skill of the IXL Summer Boost for Math. Students may complete other lessons provided in IXL for their grade level or higher that may be more challenging.

We will continue to pray for you and your family as our students grasp Mathematics material during the summer weeks. We are looking forward to working with your students when we return to school in August 2022.

God bless you,

Fourth and Fifth Grade Mathematics Teachers

Sign-In

Students must sign in through Sacred Heart's IXL portal. Please use the following link to directly access the portal: <https://www.ixl.com/signin/shschool>. If you do not use this portal, your child's time will not be recorded. All students have username/passwords for IXL. If you have any questions regarding log-in procedures, please e-mail Mr. Carlisle or Mrs. Robb.

IXL Student Directions for IXL Summer Boost

1. Sign into the Sacred Heart portal...see above
2. Go to Learning
3. Click on Skills Plan
4. Click on Subject; choose Math
5. Click on Grade; choose 5th
6. Click on IXL Summer Boost Math

Guidelines to Follow

1. Do not use a calculator.
2. Do not use on-line assistance.
3. Do not complete several skills at one time.
4. Do your own work.
5. Have fun!

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