

## You are required to read:

The Chocolate Touch by: Patrick Skene Catling

You will pick a chapter from this story and illustrate your favorite scene on an 8"x10.5" plain paper. Be creative and fill the paper to show your best work. You will also write a 4-paragraph summary of the story. Be sure to write the number of sentences required for each paragraph.

First Paragraph- Include the title, author, and the genre of the book. Also, explain what you thought this book was about before you read it. (**4-6 sentences**)

Second Paragraph-Describe the main character(s) in the book. The sentences should use many adjectives and vivid details. (**4-6 sentences**) Describe the setting of the book (time and place). (**2-3 sentences**)

Third Paragraph-Give a short summary of the plot. How does the story begin? What is the problem in the story? How is the problem resolved? Include information about the important events. (5-7 sentences)

Fourth Paragraph- Give your opinion of the book. It's okay if you didn't like it! It will be important to include reasons to support your opinion. (3-5 sentences)

This assignment can be written on white lined paper or typed on the computer. This is due on the first day of school.

It is HIGHLY recommended to read the story closer to the start of school as it will be discussed and assessed in class over the first two weeks.



Dear Parent or Guardian,

Great news! Your child will be using Reflex Math, the world's most effective (and fun!) program for helping students master their basic addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division facts for summer math.

Your child's goal for the summer is to completely fill in the "Family Pyramid" chart by the first day of school. This chart will fill in automatically as they learn the facts. It will be important that your child works on this website at least 3 to 4 times a week during the summer. It is also important that they work on the session until they get a solid green dot. It takes approximately 15-20 minutes to get the complete green dot but may be quicker as the facts are learned. (see diagram below.)



The solid green dot means that your child has spent the right amount of time for that session.



If your child waits for the end of the summer to work on Reflex math, they will not be able to complete the goal of filling in the "Family Pyramid" or may lose the progress made. Participation and effort to reach the goal will be the first math grade of the new school year. I will be checking Reflex during the summer to see how they are progressing towards reaching their goal as well as noting how much time they are spending on the site.

Reflex continually monitors student progress and adapts to each student's needs, so it is very important that only your child works on their account.

Students currently on Reflex will continue to work on their present level (multiplication and division) until July 16<sup>th</sup>. At that time, students will be moved to addition and subtraction in preparation for the start of the school year. Grade 4 math begins with a review of addition and subtraction concepts. It will be important that students refresh those facts before the start of school.

Be sure that students log into Reflex using the <u>new teacher sign in</u>. This is very important to track each student's progress. (Ms. Sanelli's 3<sup>rd</sup> graders will have this information with their report cards. New students will need to email me to get the login information. See below for email.)

Have a wonderful summer and see you in August!

Peace,

Mrs. Primavera lori.primavera@tca11.com

If you have not done so, please send a quick email with the email address(es) that all classroom correspondence will be sent. Thank you!

## **Grade 4 Supply List**

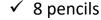
## PLEASE PUT NAMES ON ALL BELONGINGS



- ✓ 1 ruler with metric and standard units (hard plastic or wooden)
- √ 5 <u>standard one subject</u> notebooks in the following colors:

(Please label with the subject/name)

- Math-red
- Social Studies-green
- Science-blue
- Writing-yellow
- One of another color--(name only)
- √ 3 <u>standard</u> size pencil pouches (Purchase ones that have a zipper for durability)
- √ 1 pair of scissors
- √ 3 glue sticks
- √ 3 sturdy folders
  - -Label: "Homework" and name
  - -Label: "Projects" and name
  - -Label: Name only



- ✓ 2 large erasers
- ✓ 1 package of pencil erasers (the ones that go on the end of pencils)
- ✓ 10 erasable pens (blue or black only)
- √ 4 colored pens for correcting
- √ 2 highlighters
- √ 1 package 12-24 colored pencils
  - Put into one of the pencil pouches
- √ 3 Black Expo markers (large size)
- √ 300 3x5 lined index cards
- ✓ 2 containers of disinfecting wipes
- √ 3 boxes of tissues
- √ \$10.00 for the Scholastic News Magazine, which is used as a part of the Social Studies curriculum, will be automatically billed through FACTS at the beginning of the school year



Students will need to cover all textbooks and workbooks. Brown paper bags protect our books the best. It will be a good idea to have several on hand for the beginning of school. Books are sent home the first week to be covered. Do not use any Book Soxs for the textbooks. DO NOT use contact covers on any textbook even if implies it is easily removed. Contact paper is fine for the workbooks (Math, Simple Solutions, and Vocabulary only).

<u>Please</u> **do not** send in binders, markers, or pencil sharpeners. We have 3 pencil sharpeners in the classroom.

It is recommended that when school supplies are available during the back-to-school sales to purchase extra supplies. There should be a supply of erasable pens and pencils at home.

I am looking forward to a wonderful school year. See you in August!

~~~Peace,

Mrs. Primavera

P.S. \*Summer is a time to relax and have fun. It is also a wonderful time to read together, sharing the adventure and excitement of a new book. Parents play an important role in a child's development of a love for reading. The local libraries usually have great summer reading programs for the students with great incentives! This can be an enjoyable experience that will keep reading skills active. I encourage all students to read more than just the summer reading for school!!!