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Dear Emerson Families,

Here we are at the end of a year like no other at Emerson Elementary. We have made it through a pandemic paired with epic windstorms, societal unrest, and the challenge of pivoting between remote and in-person instruction. It has literally been the most challenging year I have experienced in my career in education. Through this journey, I have been inspired by our resilient teachers, families, and students. I have been touched by many acts of kindness that have been shown to me, our teachers, staff, and students. Despite all the challenges, I witnessed amazing work by teachers, acts of kindness from parents, and resilience of students. It has been a year of growth for all of us. I have learned much about gratitude, the goodness in people, and the importance of community and taking care of one another. I am in awe of how the Emerson community has pulled together to support our students. I sincerely thank each of you from the bottom of my heart.

Students, now for your summer homework. While you are enjoying your well-deserved summer break, keep practicing what you have learned this year. First of all, read, read, and keep reading! This is the best thing you can do to keep your reading skills strong over the summer. Find fun ways to include math calculation and problem solving in your daily activities. We are literally surrounded by the world of science every day. Make observations and draw conclusions about things you see in nature. Think and experience the world like a scientist. Finally, write about your summer experiences. Keep a journal or write a letter to a loved one. Be creative and have fun with it. We know that the pandemic has impacted student learning to some degree. Any practice of academic skills will make a difference when we return to school in August.

Until then, enjoy your summer break with the people you love...doing the things you love to do. Everyone get out there and share your awesomeness!

Happy summer,

Ms. Reynolds