Dear future fifth grader,

I hope you have had a wonderful and relaxing summer. Fifth grade is going to be such an exciting year for both of us. We will be going on exciting field trips, using computers almost every day, performing the fifth-grade play, and much more.

In Language Arts, we will read many interesting novels and short stories. You will also be writing several of your own stories and poems throughout the year.

In Science, we will be studying outer space. This will include the planets in our solar system, the constellations, and other stars in our galaxy. We will also be learning about the human body. We will explore the various systems of the body including the digestive, respiratory, and circulatory systems.

In our Social Studies series, we will embark on great adventures with famous explorers, travel back in time to learn about the development of nations, and discover the connections between the past and present.

As you may already know, the fifth-grade students will be switching classes for math. The math lessons will build upon the skills you learned in fourth grade. No matter which class you are in, the lessons will be fun yet challenging.

Throughout every lesson and in every subject, we will be using technology. We will be using the computers to create multimedia activities including slideshows and presentations. In fact, I am going to challenge you to find new and creative ways to use technology in everything we do. I can’t wait to see all of the things you create this year.

As the new fifth grade class, you will have many responsibilities. It will be your job to set an example of good behavior for all the students in Belmont Hills. Whether you know it or not, the younger students will look up to you. I’m excited about the coming school year because I know that you will do a great job representing the very best of Belmont Hills.

This will be a memorable year for all of us. I’m looking forward to hearing about all of your summer activities in our first class meeting.

Sincerely,

Dr. Fox