CLASS FOUR SUMMER READING

It is a substantially proven fact that children who are read to on a regular basis develop a love for books, a love for learning, a greater attention span, and higher order thinking skills. Providence's Supplemental Reading List includes some of the many books we feel are well written, of good literary quality, and reinforce godly values. You probably have read many of them to your children already. If your child is ready for longer books, we encourage you to select additional titles of greater length from either the Class Four list or the Class Five list.

William F. Russell, author of *Classics to Read Aloud to Your Children* and noted expert on the ways in which parents influence the achievement of their children, states, "Reading aloud may be the single most powerful contribution a parent can make to a child's success in school." We believe that, combined with a warm, stable godly home, and good training in values and habits, reading to your children has strong merit. Please try to read several long chapter books to your child this summer and share the adventure of reading together!

Summer Reading Requirements:

- Parents must purchase these books (new or used) from the vendor of your choice. Amazon is easy: just put the ISBN in the search bar and choose new or used. You must get the correct ISBN so that all the children have the same version in class.

- On the second week of school, there will be a quiz in class over all of the following required reading:
    - *Indian Captive: The Story of Mary Jemison*, Lois Lenski ISBN 9780064461627
    - *The Trumpet of the Swan*, E. B. White ISBN 9780064408677

- In addition, select at least two (2) books from the Classes Three and Four Recommended Reading List. Most students will exceed this minimum. Books read to your children are above and beyond the assigned books and should be listed also.

- Record all reading on the Summer Reading Record Sheet and send with your child on the first day of school.

- A full list of all Summer Reading requirements for all grade levels is located here.