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Dear Landisville Intermediate Students and Families,

We are officially winding down the school year. Unfortunately, the year did not finish as intended. The LIC teachers and staff missed spending the last few months in the classroom teaching, learning, and celebrating our students' successes.

As we move into summer, I want to impress upon you the importance of staying academically sharp. The "Summer Slide" is a real thing. Students need to participate in simple learning activities, so their academic ability does not slide. Below are a few suggestions to avoid the "Summer Slide."

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| <p>Reading<br/>Consistency, consistency, consistency<br/>😊</p> <p>Students should read at least 20 minutes a day. Avoid banking days or putting it off till tomorrow (example: I will just do 40 minutes tomorrow).</p> <p>Check out the Reading Bingo chart that our library department has shared (attached).</p> | <p>Math<br/>We will have summer math workbooks, but there are two fantastic math apps I highly recommend:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <a href="https://www.zearn.org">Zearn.org</a></li><li>• <a href="https://www.happynumbers.com">HappyNumbers.com</a></li></ul> <p>If you want a real challenge, check out <a href="https://www.openmiddle.com">Openmiddle.com</a>.</p> <p>If you need help setting one of these up, reach out to me at <a href="mailto:ian_daecher@hempfieldsd.org">ian_daecher@hempfieldsd.org</a></p> | <p>Writing<br/>I highly recommend journaling in the summer months. Some students may prefer to journal every day, but even journaling once a week can keep writing skills strong.</p> |
| <p>Physical Education</p> <p>Stay active! It is recommended that students are active for 60 minutes a day. Here is a great website sponsored by the NFL with different ideas:</p> <p><a href="https://www.nfl.com/causes/play60">https://www.nfl.com/causes/play60</a></p>  | <p>Music</p> <p>The summer is a great time to experiment and learn a new instrument. Feel free to reach out to Mrs. Kelly Gumble or Ms. Jen Meyer about starting in our band or orchestra.</p>   | <p>Art</p> <p>Add a picture to your journal or find a time to paint, sketch, or even use clay or playdoh.</p>   |

Creating a schedule and sticking to a routine is best, and I am always here to help with some advice, or a pep talk for our students.

Thank you and enjoy the summer!

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## Sample Schedule

Feel free to use this or say it came from Mr. Daecher 😊

### Monday

- Read 20 minutes (see Bingo chart)
- Journal one fun thing you did over the weekend
- Earn a Sticker on Zearn or do two pages of your summer math booklet
- Ride Bike for 20 minutes
- Draw a colorful picture with your journal entry

### Tuesday

- Read 20 minutes (see Bingo chart)
- Write a poem about your cat
- Do  $\frac{1}{2}$  of a mission in Happy Numbers or do two pages of your summer math booklet
- Play soccer with a family member
- Draw a colorful picture with your poem

### Wednesday

- Read 20 minutes (see Bingo chart)
- Use household items (pots/pans) to play to 'drum' a beat to your favorite song
- Earn a Sticker on Zearn or do two pages of your summer math booklet
- Take a family walk

### Thursday

- Read 20 minutes (see Bingo chart)
- Write a letter to a family member, friend, teacher, or principal 😊
- Do the other  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the mission in Happy Numbers or do two pages of your summer math booklet
- Ride Bike for 20 minutes

### Friday

- Read 20 minutes (see Bingo chart)
- Journal something you would like to do this weekend
- Try a grade-level OpenMiddle problem
- Practice a sport of your choice

-Do a self-portrait or YouTube a 'how to drawing' of an animal with parent permission (these are fun!)