



MOUNT DORA
CHRISTIAN ACADEMY
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Elementary Word to Parents

Dates to Remember

Class Pictures

May 14

Water Day

May 16

Early Dismissal 12:15

May 21-23

Elementary Awards
Day Grades 2-4

**May 21 8:30 am
Auditorium**

Fifth Grade Graduation

**May 22 8:30 am
Auditorium**

LAST DAY OF
SCHOOL

May 23

**Avoid the
SUMMER
slide**

100%
of students experience summer learning loss if they don't engage in educational activities over the summer.

25%
of academic learning is lost by children during summer vacation - U.S. Dept. of Education

4-6 Weeks
is the time it takes teachers to re-teach material that students have forgotten over the summer.

2.6 Months
is the average learning loss per student in math and 2 months is the average in spelling.

The infographic features a yellow background with a sun and an umbrella, and a blue background with a girl and a boy on a slide.

Have a safe Summer!



Hadley's Happenings

Dear Parents,

We are in the home stretch and I can't tell you enough how much I have enjoyed watching your children learn and grow this year. They have all worked so hard and I know they are looking forward to a break! I have so many fond memories of summers as a child and one of my favorite memories is the trips we would take to the library. As I have shared before, I grew up in a rural area so a trip to town was an event. Once each week, my mom, brother and I would go in to town to the small library and pore over the selection of books. I would always emerge with a tote bag full and as soon as we returned home, disappear to my room to begin the one that I was most excited about. Today, I get a lot of my books digitally or they are shipped from Amazon but I still love to go to the library and get lost in the shelves looking for the right book.

Research shows that children who read during the summer are less likely to experience learning loss. This means that when they return to school in the fall they can pick up where they left off with minimal review. This is the primary reason we give a mandatory summer reading assignment. Our teachers have tried to strike a balance in choosing reading that will be appropriately challenging, will build background knowledge of the content they will see in the fall, and still allow them time to read books of their own choosing. The assignments will be included in their last report card.

Wednesday the PTA is treating us to a fun-filled water day! I know your teachers and room moms have been communicating this to you and some of you will be coming to help. I truly appreciate the planning that goes into this day and I can tell you it is one of the most anticipated days of the school year. Your child's teacher will communicate the schedule to you but please plan to send your child with a towel and water clothes. Boys may wear swim trunks or shorts and a tee shirt. They are required to keep the shirt on at all times. Girls may wear a swim suit with shorts and a tee shirt over it or the shorts and tee shirt with appropriate underclothes. It will be in the grass but water shoes or flip flops would still be a good idea, especially for the walk to Thompson House. Again, thank you PTA and especially Mrs. Deleon for coordinating this fun day!

Finally, congratulations to fifth grader Sadie Pruet for blowing away the competition in the Lake County Tropicana Speech Contest. Sadie brought home a first place award plaque and a huge smile! We are so proud of you Sadie!

Have a wonderful weekend!

Mrs. Hadley

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Seasoned Chicken	Hamburger	Baked Ziti	Chicken Sandwich	Pizza
Black Beans & Rice	California Blend Veggies	Garlic Bread Stick	Celery	Caesar Salad
Corn	Blueberries	Green Beans	Chips	Bananas
Pears	Milk	Peaches	Strawberries	Ice Cream
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