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Columbus Families:

It has been an honor to collaborate with your family all year and a joy to work daily with your beautiful children. Thank you for the faith and cooperation that you have offered our staff. We all worked very hard this year. Your children wrote stories and poems and researched. They read more and more complex books, and became more skilled mathematicians and scientists who defended their work before their peers. Columbus students worked well this year; it is time for a summer break!

This summer, our commitment to your children will continue. Your children will still be able to work on all our instructional software that is available to them on our Columbus School website—**Dreambox, RAZkids, Lexia**. Please encourage your kids to keep their minds sharp and practice with these programs before they return in September.

Further, our wonderful **librarian, Ms. Regan**, is volunteering her time this summer for ALL our students. **The Columbus School library will open on July 18th, 20th, 25th, and 27th, and August 2nd. Your families are welcome to come by and take out books for the summer.**

Please see the list of suggested summer reading for your child! The more your child reads the better—always. To encourage the kids, Ms. Regan will collect *book reviews* in September—we'll decorate the main hallway of the school with children's book reviews to showcase their reading and thinking about the books!

Finally, if you have not made summer plans, please consider signing up for a FREE summer camp provided by the New Rochelle Youth Bureau and My Brother's Keeper (MBK). An informational flyer is attached in English and Spanish. In order to register, one parents MUST attend an informational/sign-up session either tomorrow (May 21st at City Hall from 5-8 p.m.) or on Monday, June 26th (at Bethesda Baptist Church from 6-8 p.m.).

Once again, we are grateful for the opportunity to support your family and your precious children. It has been our privilege to collaborate with your family this year, and we remain committed to you, all summer, if you need any help or assistance in any way.

Respectfully,

Michael Galland