**DEAR**  
PARENTS,

We hope that you will support your student this summer with the ThinkStretch Summer Learning Program. Research out of Johns Hopkins University is conclusive—*all students lose up to 2.6 months of learning if they do not actively engage in summer learning activities.* Bartonville Grade School is making a commitment to “Stop Summer Brain Drain!”

Our students (and you!) have worked very hard this school year…please help us help you to keep the learning going! Bartonville Grade School is sending home a grade specific Summer Learning Book and a Parent Guide to Summer for each student to complete over the summer. The book meets national standards for learning outcomes by grade and is formatted in a concise and doable workbook. Each week, for 8 weeks, your student will read, complete a writing activity, practice math skills and enjoy a bonus activity.

When school starts again in August, your student will turn in the summer learning book to his/her teacher. Students will receive a bronze medal for completing 4 lessons, a silver medal for 6 lessons and a gold medal for completing 8 lessons.

**Thank You for Supporting Our Students!**

*Dr. Lan Eberle*

*Superintendent*

BGS is committed to helping all students succeed! Please help us help your student by creating a summer schedule that includes time for them to work on the ThinkStretch workbook. Review their work and praise their efforts! Parents are KEY to the summer learning program and without your partnership it is not possible. Together we are encouraging you to “Keep it simple, but keep it going!”

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