



Summer 2020

Dear New 4F Classmate,

A happy and excited hello! Welcome to fourth grade and to our class! I hope that you and your families are having a wonderful summer and preparing for a FABULOUS fourth grade year at Warwick. I am so excited to be working with not only you but also your parents as well! Fourth grade is a wonderful year filled with growth, responsibility, and independence. I hope you enjoyed our 4th Grade virtual Move Up Day! It was fun to try out all this wonderful new technology during our distance learning! We have the BEST fourth-grade class, I feel so lucky! 😊😊

I hope that you are having a great summer relaxing with your family and friends and taking some well-deserved time off. My summer will be filled with new adventures, friends, and my wonderful family. We added a new addition to our family this past Spring, May 13th to be exact. Her name is Claire Caroline Finelli, and she is the perfect final piece to our Finelli family! I love summer days and nights watching Jack, my five-year-old son, run for hours outside, pick tomatoes and zucchini in the garden, search for the best seashells on the shore, and continue to develop a very opinionated little personality. This past summer he has gotten really good at using goggles and diving under water at his Mom Mom and Pop Pop's pool. We were lucky enough to spend countless hours there relaxing and enjoying our time together as a family. One of my favorites is watching him fly kites. We were lucky enough to go to the Outer Banks, North Carolina this year. I can't wait to share some more of my fun with you when school starts, and you can start thinking about what you would like to share about your summer too with all of us!

We are going to have a wonderful year together. You will be learning so many NEW and INTERESTING things in science, social studies, math, reading, and writing. The connections that you will find throughout our school year are endless. We will also be reading many great books together! I love to read and enjoy how imaginative it can be! Hopefully you have been filling up your summer reading list with some of your favorites! I am always looking for great suggestions for new books to read, as I'm sure that many of your classmates are as well. The very first book read for my "summer stack" of books is Blended by Sharon M. Draper. It's about an eleven-year-old girl named Isabella who is trying to understand who she is while growing up in a bi-racial family with divorced parents. Sharon M. Draper is a wonderful author who touches upon important, current day life issues, and showcases the strength of her main character beautifully!

I cannot wait for the first day of school for the beginning of a fun-filled fourth grade learning experience on Monday August 31st, 2020. Parents, Fourth Grade's Back to School Night is TBD. Now, have a wonderful summer. Relax, enjoy a good book, and most importantly, have fun spending time with your family and friends! I hope that you are ready to learn and grow with me. I am so excited for the new school year, and I hope you are too! I am truly honored and blessed to be your teacher!

Love,

Mrs. Finelli

P.S. If you would like to write to me before we formally meet, I would absolutely LOVE to hear from you. Please feel free to tell me a little bit about yourself and what adventures you have had this summer in a letter or even send a postcard from a favorite vacation spot! I LOVE collecting the postcards to share with our class during the first weeks of school!

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I will be checking my mailbox at school in August anxiously awaiting your letters or postcards! I love collecting postcards from all of you!