August 2014

Dear 4th Grader.

I'm so excited that you'll be in my 4th grade class this year! This will be my third year at Hyde-Addison and I'm very excited to be teaching 4th grade again. It was my favorite grade in school! I already have a lot of fun work planned for us and I can't wait to get started!

This summer I went on a road trip to Maine with my roommates, which was quite an adventure! We drove through four cities: New York City, Boston, Newport (RI), and Portland (ME). We walked the Freedom Trail in Boston, saw some important sites from the Revolutionary War (which you will learn about this year!), and rode bikes up to several beautiful lighthouses.

I also went home to Seattle for 10 days, and got to spend some time with my family and friends. I got to do some of my favorite outdoor activities, like running and swimming. I've been running a lot lately because I'm training for the Marine Corps Marathon! I'm a little nervous, but I'm excited for the challenge. I also got to read some great books this summer. I finished the Divergent series and loved it! I love reading books that are slightly fantasy, but still believable enough that I can relate to the characters and imagine myself in their world.

I hope you've been having an amazing summer and have had some time to relax, enjoy the nice weather, and read some good books. I can't wait to hear about what you've been doing! Come stop by our room (Room 209 in Addison) during Sneak Peek on Thursday, August 21st from 4:00 to 5:30!

If you or your parents or guardians have any questions before then, feel free to email me at elizabeth.crutcher@dc.gov.

Enjoy the rest of the summer and I look forward to seeing you in a few weeks!

Sincerely,

Ms. Crutcher