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Hello! How are you doing? Is your summer going quickly? I hope you are having a lot of fun!

I am enjoying my summer. My children and I have spent our days at the library and the park, and doing other fun things around town. Last week, I went to a concert and listened to one of my favorite bands. It was so fun hearing them perform. This Friday, I am going out of town to my nephew's birthday party. It is a five-hour drive, but we will have fun when we get there. My nephew's party is on my birthday, so I am sure I will get to have a little cake and ice cream too!

Have you signed up for the summer reading program at the library yet? It goes until the end of July and is a lot of fun. They even put your name up on the wall under our school banner. You will get to tell them you are a first grader! Wow! When reading books this summer, be sure to choose books you can read by yourself, books you can read with help, and books you can have someone read to you.

I hope you are reading and writing at home this summer. You worked so hard to become an independent reader and writer during the school year; I want you to keep building your stamina. Remember, there are three ways to read a book:

- 1) Read the pictures.
- 2) Read the words.
- 3) Retell a story you have heard before.

Also, don't forget when you are reading or someone is reading to you that it is important to stop and check for understanding to make sure you know what is going on in the story.

I can't wait to hear about all the books you are reading! Enjoy your summer, and I will write to you again soon!

Love,

Mrs. Behne

