

Dear 3rd Grade Families,

We are in our 4th week of virtual learning. We hope you are all doing well and getting into the swing of things. We will still be virtual learning through the remainder of the school year, but the layout will look a little different. As you may notice, our calendar attached goes from Wednesday-Tuesday. This change was put in place by the district to give families time to prepare for the week on Monday and Tuesday. We will continue to keep you informed through these weekly messages on Skyward, along with posting our updates on the Putnam Elementary School webpage. You will receive the upcoming weeks learning each Tuesday from now through June 5th. All of you should have received an email from Mrs. Kneeland last week with an At Home Learning district update.

We are working on streamlining our communication to parents for those that may have children in different grade levels at the elementary level. Please keep in mind that all at home learning will still be supplemental. If you feel your child is not keeping up with the work assigned, please don't fret. Work each day at you, your child, or your family's pace. For those students that may need modified assignments due to feeling that their child is struggling with, for example, the reading passages on Canvas, please check out the Perine-Rappley English Language Arts page.

Math- approximately 20 minutes

Think Central should be your child's first stop. Please have them complete assignments in the order of their due date. These assignments are due 2 weeks from the week that they are assigned. After that, your child will not be able to access those particular links. If they would like to log in to their home personal accounts on XtraMath or Khan Academy, they are more than welcome to after they have completed their 20 minutes on Think Central.

Reading/Writing- approximately 30 minutes

On Canvas you will see in the Language Arts course that there are a variety of books uploaded with corresponding questions for students to respond to. This will be updated weekly with new books and questions. Students will respond to those questions on the Canvas page.

For approximately 5 minutes 3 days a week, we would like students to practice their Most Commonly Misspelled Words. We have provided 3 words per week for students to focus on. They may practice them multiple ways, and have added a document on Canvas under English Language Arts to give them more ideas. If you have found a fun and creative way to practice these words at home, feel free to share those ideas on Canvas, or with your teacher, as well.

If you need more ideas for reading, your child can always access Tumblebooks or SORA through their iPad and the district website. If you hold a public library card, you can also check out books online through them as well.

If your child would like to continue to communicate with their teacher, we'd like to encourage students to journal about their time at home. We will check these throughout the week. Students may do this by creating a Google Doc and sharing it with their teacher. Please be sure to have them write their name at the top of their Google Doc. This will help us keep them organized on our end. Journaling will help them work on their writing, revision, and typing skills. There are 2 ways your teacher may respond to their documents, either by writing directly in them, or by 'commenting' on them. Directions on how to see the 'comments' part is on Canvas. This video was made by Mr. Haeny.

If your child would like to complete more, check out the writing prompts on Canvas, or have them work on finishing/starting a fairy tale, narrative, or any other piece of writing they may be interested in.

Keep working hard 3rd Graders!

Again, if you ever have any questions, comments, or concerns, please feel free to reach out to us.

Stay safe and healthy,
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