

## Hello First Grade Families!

We hope this plan finds you well! We miss seeing our students' smiling faces!

Even though we are not at school, it is important for students to keep their brains active and growing! The plan on the next page has learning activities for the next two weeks. The choice board as well as links to additional online opportunities for practice are provided on the following pages.

We recognize that everyone's family situations are different and that our students all work at different paces. We anticipate that completing a set of daily activities on the choice board should take between 45-90 minutes. Please do not feel like you need to spend the entire day working on school work if a certain activity takes your child a long time to complete; just accomplish what you can. Family time is important too!

In addition to these learning activities, your child's teacher may be posting unique online read alouds or mini-lessons videos and/or hosting online class meetings. Watching and/or participating in these special, additional online activities is entirely OPTIONAL. We don't want to overwhelm your family, but we do want to provide you with as much support as possible during this difficult time. Watch for communication from your child's teacher about these special virtual activities.

Please let your child's teacher know if you have any questions. We are here to help!

Mrs. Heinonen, Mrs. Kalitzky, Mrs. Merna & Ms. Schrift

### First Grade Teacher Contact Information

| Teacher/Email  | Office Hours (Monday-Friday) |
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| Mrs. Heinonen<br><a href="mailto:heinonene@district87.org">heinonene@district87.org</a>    | 10:00-11:30 am               |
| Mrs. Kalitzky<br><a href="mailto:kalitzkya@district87.org">kalitzkya@district87.org</a>    | 9:00-10:30 am                |
| Mrs. Merna<br><a href="mailto:mernat@district87.org">mernat@district87.org</a>             | 9:00-10:30 am                |
| Ms. Schrift<br><a href="mailto:schrift@district87.org">schrift@district87.org</a>          | 10:00-11:30 am               |
| Mrs. Johnson, LBS1<br><a href="mailto:johnsonk@district87.org">johnsonk@district87.org</a> | 10:00-11:30 am               |
| Mrs. Uhren, ELL<br><a href="mailto:uhrenm@district87.org">uhrenm@district87.org</a>        | 10:00-11:30 am               |

## Oakland Grade 1

| Remote Learning Unit 1 | Monday April 6  | Tuesday April 7  | Wednesday April 8  | Thursday April 9   | Friday April 10                          |
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| <b>Academic</b>        | See Choice Board  | See Choice Board   | See Choice Board   | See Choice Board   | Nonattendance day for staff and students |
| <b>Specials</b>        | <b>Art:</b> Design a habitat for a rabbit or a chick. Choose materials that are available to you for color. | <b>LMC:</b> Make a fort using tables, chairs, blankets and cushions. Grab a book and read inside your fort for 20 minutes. Feel free to take a picture and send it to Mrs. Martin!   | <b>PE:</b> Create a dance with your family. Each person come up with one move then put them all together to your favorite song.<br><b>Music:</b> Sing a song with a friend or family member. Try singing a song in a round. <i>Row, Row, Row Your Boat</i> and <i>Frere Jacques</i> are simple songs to sing in a round. | <b>PE:</b> Jump rope for 10 minutes. If you don't have a rope you can move your arms and pretend.<br><b>Music:</b> Listen to a song and draw how it makes you feel. Songs without words are usually good for this!                                     |  |
|                        | Monday April 13   | Tuesday April 14   | Wednesday April 15   | Thursday April 16  | Friday April 17                          |
| <b>Academic</b>        | See Choice Board  | See Choice Board   | See Choice Board   | See Choice Board   | Remote Learning Planning Day             |
| <b>Specials</b>        | <b>Art:</b> Draw yourself as an animal.   | <b>LMC:</b> Go on a scavenger hunt for words and books. How many words can you read around the house? How many fiction and nonfiction books can you find? Pick one of the books you found and have someone read it to you. | <b>PE:</b> If you have stairs in your house go up and down the stairs 20 times. If you don't have stairs march in place for 10 minutes.<br><b>Music:</b> Teach your favorite song to the people in your house. If the song does not have a game to go with it, make one up!  | <b>PE:</b> Flip a coin. If it is heads do 10 jumping jacks. If it is tails do 10 sit-ups. Do this five times.<br><b>Music:</b> Use body percussion (pat, clap, stomp, snap, etc.)to create a pattern to perform while listening to your favorite song. |  |

### Oakland Grade 1 Unit 1 Choice Board

Students should choose at least one activity from each column (Reading, Writing, Math, Science/Social Studies) each day. Place a check and parent initial on the activities completed.

| Reading   | Writing   | Math   | Science/Social Studies  |
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| Find a cozy book nook and read independently for 20 minutes.  | Write a journal entry about what you did today.   | Draw a picture using different shapes. Label the shapes you use.   | Do a listening walk. Write down five sounds that you hear.                        |
| Build a fort and read for 20 minutes in your fort. Make sure to clean up your fort when you finish. | Write a letter to your teacher. Ask a grown up to email a picture of it to your teacher.      | Write numbers in order as high as you can starting at 1.   | Look outside. Draw and label five signs of spring that you see.                   |
| Read to a stuffed animal for 20 minutes.  | Write a thank you note to someone in your family.   | Practice your addition facts.  | Do something kind for a family member.  |
| Read to someone in your family for 20 minutes.  | Write a paragraph about your favorite animal. Give at least 3 reasons why it's your favorite. | Count something at home (i.e. chairs, pillows, etc.). Write the number and draw a picture of what you counted. | Pull up a map of Illinois. Can you find Bloomington, Chicago and Springfield?     |
| Ask someone to read to you for 20 minutes.  | Make a list of at least 20 words you find in your house (Hint: Look in the kitchen!)          | Find a penny, nickel, dime and quarter. Tell a grown up how much each is worth.                                | Create a class flag using your own symbols. Think: What makes your class special? |
| Find a cozy book nook and read independently for 20 minutes.  | Draw a picture of what you see outside of your window. Write about your picture.              | Practice counting groups of pennies, groups of nickels and groups of dimes.                                    | Compare and contrast the daytime and nighttime using pictures or words.           |
| Build a fort and read for 20 minutes in your fort. Make sure to clean up your fort when you finish. | Write about your favorite thing you've done in first grade this year.                         | Write a story problem about this fact: $5 + 5 = \underline{\quad}$ .   | Make a list of the things you know about the four seasons.                        |
| Read to a stuffed animal for 20 minutes.  | Write a letter to Mr. LaFrance and tell him what you love about our school.                   | Write a story problem about this fact: $12 - 9 = \underline{\quad}$ .  | Play a board game with a family member. Practice taking turns and being kind.     |
| Read to someone in your family for 20 minutes.  | Write steps you follow to brush your teeth. Use first, next, then and last in your writing.   | Practice counting by fives and tens to 120 with a family member.   | Draw a picture showing what you can do when you have a strong feeling.            |
| Ask someone to read to you for 20 minutes.  | Free Write! You choose what to write about.   | Practice your subtraction facts.   | Help a grown up cook in the kitchen.  |

## Additional Just-for-Fun, Online Practice Activities

**If you don't know your child's District 87 username and password, contact your child's teacher.**

- Go to Oakland's LMC Website (<https://www.district87.org/domain/266>). Scroll down and use the links on that page to...
  - Enjoy books on Tumblebooks, BookFlix or Storyline Online. If BookFlix asks for login information, use oaklandelem as the username and login as the password.
  - Practice reading, writing and math skills on Starfall.
- Visit the Scholastic Learn at Home website for Grades 1 & 2. (<https://classroommagazines.scholastic.com/support/learnathome/grades-1-2.html>). You will find a variety of engaging stories and activities for your child on this website.
- Check out ABCya (<https://www.abcya.com/>). You will find a variety of games to practice reading and math skills.
- Explore Brainpop Jr. (<https://jr.brainpop.com/>). Students will need to log in using their District 87 username and password (you will need to put a BL in front of the username). Students can watch educational videos and enjoy games/activities related to those videos on Brainpop Jr.
- Read on RAZ Kids (<https://www.kidsa-z.com/main/Login>).
  - Enter your teacher's username if prompted. The username for each teacher is...
    - Mrs. Heinonen: eheinonen
    - Mrs. Kalitzky: akalitzky
    - Mrs. Merna: tmerna
    - Ms. Schrift: tschrift
  - You will need to know your five-digit user name to locate your stories.
- Explore the games on Education City (<https://www.educationcity.com/us/>). You will need to know your District 87 username and password (you will need to put a BL in front of the username). If your teacher has pre-selected games for you, they are under the "Homework" tab. If you want to locate other games, click on the search bar in the upper right corner.
- Set up a free family account on GoNoodle (<https://www.gonoodle.com/for-families/>). You can use the videos on this site to help your child keep moving/get their energy out during the break.
- Check out fun art activities and learn how to draw at Art Hub (<https://www.youtube.com/user/ArtforKidsHub/videos>).