Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020

Subject: Week 1: 5th Grade FVE Families

Dear 5th grade families,

We are thinking of you and we hope all are well and taking some time to spend with their families. The theme this week is familiarity: This week we are all familiarizing ourselves with our learning options and tools available to all of us. The district has now uploaded some resources for keeping your students engaged in their learning this first week. Please check the district website at [https://www.everettsd.org/Page/31233](https://nam01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.everettsd.org%2FPage%2F31233&data=02%7C01%7CHRiehl%40everettsd.org%7C8ac543c1e41648eab90e08d7cb73929b%7Ca6158ef04f854b0da599925097f77b3d%7C0%7C0%7C637201569729131100&sdata=lh2VTHLwMd%2BNpYU2ycgg0bPbQO5vEHUsnD5G6HSw53s%3D&reserved=0) . We have been looking at the site and these are some of the ones we recommend for this first week:

**Within Math:**

* iReady Additional Resources – Student At Home Activity Packet (packet with extra materials to print) – These are available in both ELA and Math. Upon request, we can have some printed for you. Please let us know and we will have some available outside the building next week.
* Games: Two games we recommend are Pyramid Puzzles and Remainder Race.
* Crunch Time packets – we suggest continuing to do a page a day. **Answer keys are uploaded on my Forest View teacher webpage.**

**Within ELA:**

* Look for an email to GetEpic. This free site will enable students to read and listen to a variety of books including books such as *I Survived* and *Wings of Fire* – during the shutdown, remote/anytime access will be free for all students. Please familiarize yourself with the site and please let us know if you have any challenges logging in. We would love to get your feedback on if this site works during all times of the day. This is a great tool to support AR.
* **GetEpic Class code is rcd1665.** I believe every student already has access as I uploaded my list of students from Google Classroom. Just in case I thought I would provide the code once again!
* **AR is now available for at-home-use.**  Anytime your child finishes a book, encourage them to login and take the reading and vocabulary quizzes, as available.

Families have reached out for recommendations on a daily learning schedule. Schedules can be very helpful and reassuring for students during stressful times. It not only helps kids anticipate what is to come, but also has been shown to calm people down. While there are many schedules out there, ultimately, a daily schedule needs to fit with your family and your own families unique situations. We do suggest working in short increments of 20-45 minutes, with active breaks in between. Take these six weeks to build in some creative time, adventures outside, building, baking, board games as a family, puzzles, art, and so much more. Next week, look for art and PE suggestions from our wonderful specialists.

 Again, this week, we want the focus to be on familiarizing ourselves with our current resources. If you find something wonderful, share it with us!

We miss seeing all the kids’ smiling faces and are hopeful everyone is staying safe, sane, and healthy. 😊

Warmly,

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