Brunswick School Department Home Learning Plans



Your teachers have created this plan to help you stay organized and engaged in learning. Activities do not need to stay tied to a certain day - do what works for your family! Check out our <u>first grade website</u> to access supplemental materials, including read alouds from us!

It's Spirit Week in First Grade!

	Have a	Take it Outside Tuesday	Workout Wednesday	Thoughtful Thursday	Fun Friday
Reading -Spend at least 30 min./day reading	WONDERFUL Memorial Day, Everyone!	□ Find a spot outside and read your book. After you are done, find 3-5 words that are difficult for you to read or spell. Write your words on note cards.Make two copies of each word. Now play a memory game using your tricky words.	 Reread your story from yesterday. Was it easier to read or spell your tricky words? Celebrate your success! Now place your words in a pile. Assign a workout task to each word. (ex. Jumping jacks, sit ups). Practice spelling your word as you complete the activity. 	Read your favorite storyas you read use a different voice for each page. (ex. mouse voice, singing voice, angry voice even try a funny accent.)	□ Today you are a librarian! Use the books in your house to set up your library. Make a display of your favorite books.
Writing -Spend at least 30 min./day writing		Find a writing spot outside and write a story of your choice.	□Write directions for a great workout! Share your workout with a family member.	Write your 5 favorite memories from first grade.	Free write Friday! Get creative and use whatever writing tools you can find!

Math -Spend at least 30 min./day on math	Measure your home in steps! Walk around your house to find out how many steps it takes to make it all the way around. Have someone else do it too and compare your answers. Are they the same? Why or why not?	Get your workout on! Count how many different exercises you can do. How many of each did you do? How many did you do in all?	Think of 10 things that you love about each person in your family. How many groups of 10 did you make? How many ideas do you have in all?	Make your own math game to play with your family! Think about games you have played before for inspiration!
Science /Nature Projects 20 min.+ /day	 Do you have a favorite tree in your yard? You can measure how big around it is by measuring 4 ½ feet up. This is called the <i>breast height</i> where experts measure. Just wrap a measuring tape around the trunk at that point and measure how big around your tree is. You can also do a <i>Bark Rubbing</i>. Tape a piece of paper to an interesting patch of bark. Holding a crayon on its side, rub up and down over the paper while pressing firmly. Try different trees and look at the different patterns 	Make a Wormery . In a quart -sized glass jar place a layer of sand 1 ½ inches deep. Place a layer of soil the same depth. Alternate sand and soil so that the top layer is soil. Add 3 to 4 earthworms. Cover the top layer with rotted leaves for compost. Wet the leaves lightly. Cover the outside of the jar with dark paper or place in a dark space. Worms come to the surface when it is dark. Observe over time what they do to the leaves and soil. Do the worms simply tunnel OR do they eat anything that is in the way!?	Throughout the summer, make seed packets for saving this year's seeds for next year's garden by using pressed flowers. On a clear plastic ziplock bag arrange pressed flowers on the top surface. Cut a piece of clear packing tape big enough to cover the flowers. Press to smooth out any wrinkles or air bubbles. Fill the packet with seeds. The pressed flowers will tell you what kind of seeds are in the packet. Seal the packet. With a Sharpie add any information that may be helpful.	 White, pink and purple violets are growing everywhere! Did you know you can use the flowers in salads or "candy" the blooms and leaves for decorations on cakes and ice cream!? Collect and wash violets and let them dry. Dip a small brush in egg white and cover the petals front and back. Sprinkle sugar on the violets covering them completely. Put the violets on parchment/waxed paper to dry

Diversified Arts	 Art: Artist trading cards are super fun tiny cards made from any kind of colored or drawing paper glued on card stock, watercolor paper, or recycled material like the sides of cereal boxes. Rubber stamps, colored pencils, markers, pastels, stickers, collage materials, watercolors, fabric, newspaper and crayons are all great supplies to start with. Experiment with different combinations of materials! After you've made some ATCs, have some fun by trading cards with your family or stuffed animals! Ideas for cards: animal drawings, a personal logo, cartoon drawings, a tiny story, a picture of a favorite place or tradition, drawings of the artist, etc. 	Music:Using the paper included in the packet, create a water xylophone and spend time exploring the different sounds that can be made. If you have a questions, pictures or video, feel free to email me at <u>dmurphy@brunswick.k12.</u> me.us	□ PE: Hi Coffin Friends! This week let's have fun building your own obstacle course. You can be inside or outside and use anything in your house! Can you go under a table, over a stuffy, around a chair? I've put some hints on the next page and have a great time! Send me some pictures if you can at tpeck-moad@brunswick.k12 .me.us . You can visit my website at the Coffin Home page for more fun activities!	Library You are curious. Now is the time to find out about things that are right in front of you. What can you see from your own window or backyard? What insects are flying or crawling? What are the clouds doing now and for the next two minutes? Are there buds or leaves on the trees? What is coming up from the ground? Dandelions? What are the birds up to? Who is passing your house? What trucks, bikes, or cars do you see? Write or draw a list of things you see.	Second Step: Explore pages 1-15
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