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Homework Edition

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This is the Homework Edition of my newsletter describing the homework that will be required for your child. As the year progresses, the homework requirements will change and I will send you further updates. As always, please email me with any questions that you may have.

Nightly Reading

Your child will be required to read 40 books each 9 weeks as part of their homework grade. It is extremely important for your child to read with you each night. Each week your child will bring a "book baggy" from school which will have books from our class library and a reading log. Other books such as library books and books from home are also acceptable for reading practice. You should record the books that your child reads on the reading log. When your child has read the books, your child will return the class books so that they can get new books. Re-reading books provide practice and builds self-confidence. Reading to your child is also very important because you will provide a reading model for your child. As the year progresses and your child's reading needs change, we will adjust the kind of books that are brought home.

Math

As we are working in our math chapters at school, I will send homework from the Go Math! Practice workbook. You will not need to return the math homework until the chapter is complete. Chapters will take about 2-3 weeks to complete. Because the time that it takes to complete a math chapter varies, I will send home the chapter review and will notify you via email when we will be taking a chapter test.

Spelling

Each week your child will have a list of words that they will need to spell from memory. The words will be a combination of words using phonemic sounds that we are studying, and sight words. Spelling tests are on Friday mornings.

Any child, who is having difficulties in any academic area, will receive additional homework to provide extra practice. This work will be sent home individually in your child's "homework folder". During our October conference we will discuss your child's individual homework needs.

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