**Homework Policy**

* Please help your child set aside 30 minutes a night for homework. The specific time can change each night (especially if they have different commitments i.e. dance, soccer, piano lessons, etc.) Before the week starts, sit with your child to plan specific blocks of homework time and help them find a non-distracting location to complete their homework.
* ***Here are some homework options they should be working on during those 30 minutes and the amount of time that should be spent on each:***
	1. ***Math Homework Sheet, Math Addition Flashcard practice, or Extra Practice Math pages……..10-15 minutes***
	2. ***Weekly Fluency Practice Sheet ……7 minutes (one timed minute with an adult, 5 read out loud practice by yourself minutes, and one more timed minute with an adult.)***
	3. ***Spelling Practice……5 minutes (writing spelling words, sorting words, out loud spelling practice, etc.) See the take home list of words that goes home on Monday for that week’s words***
	4. ***Completing any unfinished sheets from daily work …… 5 minutes (handwriting sheets, spelling in class assignments, etc.)***
	5. ***Try to keep the homework limited to 30 minutes. If your child is consistently unable to complete the work in that amount of time for a few days in a row, please give me a call.***
* Monday through Thursday is when I assign most of the homework for students. I would ask that you train and practice with your child the art of organization and remembering to always put their homework folder back into their backpack each night and remembering to always bring their backpacks to school the next day.
* In addition to the 30 minutes of homework time, students should also be completing at least 30 minutes of reading time 4-6 times a week.
* **Please make sure you check the homework folder Thursday night. It will include homework sheets, extra practice sheets, fluency sheets, completed work, a calendar for recording reading minutes, etc. Please look over your child’s work and sign the parent sheet. This is also a great time to empty out all notes, completed assignments, and extra practice sheets from the homework folder.**
* Students should return homework assignments the following day. Assignments that come back after that will be marked late. Late work turned in after the following Monday of the original due date can only receive a maximum score of 75%.
* Work turned in after the last day of the grading quarter will not receive any credit.
* ***Absent Work Policy:*** If you are sick or on vacation on a school day, the work you miss cannot be made up at home. Students that miss school miss in-class instruction, monitored practice time, teacher feedback, peer discussion time, in class practice time, and other times that cannot be made up at home. For this reason I don’t send home piles of worksheets when students are absent. When they return to class we will do our best to catch them up on those things they missed.

Thank you so much for your support at home that you provide to help your child succeed in school! Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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