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From The Principal's Desk:



Dear Families and Friends of Erving Elementary School,



With Governor Baker's recent announcement that schools will remain closed until at least May 4, staff at Erving Elementary School have been working diligently to craft weekly remote learning plans for our learners. These plans are being designed to engage students in meaningful and productive learning opportunities. Remote learning for EES students in, kindergarten through sixth grade, will start on Monday, April 6th.

Remote learning at EES will encompass a wide variety of learning opportunities for our students and may look different from classroom to classroom. While technology can be a supportive tool, some student learning will take place offline. This could include exploring the natural world, engaging hands-on projects, exercise and artistic creations. Families will be able to access the Weekly Remote Learning Plans on the Erving website (http://www.erving.com/).

Please follow the steps below to find the plans:

Open EES Web page by following - http://www.erving.com/

Click on **Students tab**

Click on Computer Class Home

Click on your child's grade

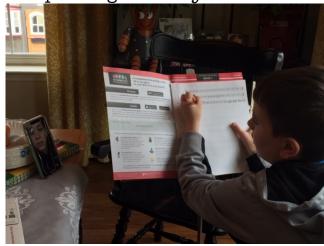
Click on Weekly Remote Learning Plan

We recognize that this is a significant disruption to you and your children, as well as every member of our community. The fact is that something like this has never occurred before. Our buildings are closed, our students are home, our teachers are home, and everyone is taking this one day at a time. Please feel free to reach out to me with any questions or concerns. Please stay safe and be well.

Sincerely,

Lisa Candito

Please share how your kids are spending their days at home.



Jameson Betters (grade 4) receiving a virtual music lessons from Ms. B-C.

MATH E÷X

FROM OUR MATH COORDINATORS

Math Around Your Home!

It is easy to feel overwhelmed when thinking about how to help your child in math, but take some deep breaths: math is everywhere! Little conversations about numbers, noticing and pointing out patterns in the real world, and authentic experiences with measurement really ADD UP to a great math journey for your child(ren)!

Be sure to visit our Erving Math Website



Here are some possible at-home experiences sure to make an impact:

Take a walk! Pick up acorns, rocks, sticks, whatever you see in your backyard. Have your child count them.... Which has the most? Which has the least? Create a visual model (maybe a graph or chart) to show the numbers of items you found, OR just talk with your child about what they found. Counting collections is a BIG math idea. Here is a short video of an educator explaining how to do it at home: The importance of counting collections.







Bake or cook with your child! Talk about the measurements and amounts of ingredients you're using.

Use chalk to create a hopscotch board on your sidewalk/driveway, etc. Make it multiples of two or three. Have your child count out loud and jump some energy out!



Put numbers on sticky notes and go on a backyard scavenger hunt to find items of that number. For example, put a seven on a sticky note (or regular piece of paper) and have your child find seven leaves.

Most of all, have fun sharing these learning experiences with your children!



Mr. Hogg has sent this suggestion for kids to stay active and healthy while not in school:

Dear Families,

I hope this note finds you healthy and safe. I am thinking of you all during this incredibly challenging, unique time. It's amazing how quickly news developed over the last few weeks. We recognize the burden of lost income that some of us in the community (and country) are carrying, as well as trying to care for loved ones. So now most of us are at home, taking care of our children, and many of us are trying to work at the same time. This situation has created a lot of new stress for everyone, so I'd like to share a few tips for coping.

- ~ Daily life is so different now. While we expect to stay at home with our families, it will help to create a routine and stick to it. The more structure you can develop, the better for you and your children.
- ~ Limit TV time and social media- limit how much time your children hears or reads the news at this time. Choose one time a day to be updated.
- ~ Be calm, reassuring, honest, and accurate.
- ~ It helps to acknowledge what your child is feeling. Children respond to events in different ways and may feel a variety of emotions. Any feeling is ok!

If you have any questions or would like to speak to me, please email me at alvin@erving.com. I'm also happy to send you more resources related to mental health and emotional well-being. Resources will be shared soon in a new tab on the school website.

Don't forget spring is really coming!

With best wishes,

Molly Alvin

School Psychologist



Follow along with these yoga poses and see if you can hold them for 20, 30 and 40 seconds!



Mrs. Urban

Six Flags and the Read to Succeed program.



here's the important info:

- 1) Families can still register themselves by going to the website
- sixflags.com/books and using our school code: VY58J
- OR they can ask me to register for them, but they have to email me about doing that; they can no longer call the school and leave me a voicemail.
- 2) Friday, April 17 is the deadline for registering AND accounting for the 6-hour minimum of reading time.
- 3) sometime in May, SixFlags New England will mail families their free ticket(s)