

# Homework Clarifications

Hello parent(s),

I understand homework can be stressful at the beginning of the year, but we kindly ask you to please trust us in the process. Homework should be completed on a daily basis. However, if your child is in an after-school activity and you would like to advance the homework, then you may with discretion. Please know that the math homework for each day is taught that same day so they may not know what to do. Please keep all homework papers stapled! The homework packet and English journal must return to school every day. Homework will be collected Monday morning.

Thank you for working with us and for all that you do!

Sincerely,

The Kindergarten Team

## Reading

- Write sight words on flashcards. The flashcards can stay home so that they study their words daily.

## Language Arts

- Penmanship: It is important that they write capital letters from the blue line to the red line and lowercase letters from the dotted line to the red line. We stress in class that we write from the top to the bottom.
- Tall lowercase letters (t, l, k, f,) touch the blue line to the red line
- "Underwater" lower case letters (q, y, p, j, g) touch the dotted line and pass the red line.
- We don't expect their writing to be perfect, but with constant practice on proper penmanship, their handwriting will improve.
- Name: They only have to write their name **THREE** times.

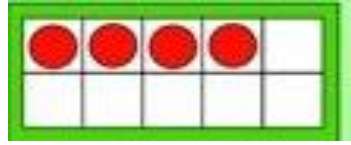
Sentences: I know they are learning how to read, spell, and write. They do not have to be long sentences and you can model the sentence for them. However, ask your child what they would like to write and re-state: "We write from left to write, we begin writing a sentence with a capital letter and end the sentence with a period." They hear us say the rules several times a day.

- Example of a Short Sentence: I can run.
- Invented Spelling: Ask your child what letter sound they hear? If the word is "blue" and they spell "blu" that's okay! That is called invented spelling and is a normal learning process in kindergarten.

- Please continue reading below....

## Math

- A counter is a math tool we use to count. Please have your child draw a circle on the frame.



EX: four counters are on the ten frame.

Thank you for all that you do!