
*“Although we sail in these uncharted waters, we sail them together. We are not alone.
It is with that understanding of community-- this PS 59 community--
that I look forward to charting these new waters for and with you.”*

Greetings PS 59 Families,

As we begin on our fourth Monday of being apart, I am met with awe and gratefulness of the communities that I am surrounded by. How they have always been an important part of the fibers that make up my community quilt, yet I had not truly noticed how deep and strong they were-- they are-- until now.

The fibers that make up the wider school community are textured, colorful and complex. These fibers, made up of educators and families, are intertwined and as strong as steel. When faced with what feels like endless pressures to meet the needs of our children, we take the weight. We ease or hold fast where needed. We stretch to great limits and hold firm. We work to the greatest good of our children-- the students-- of PS 59. They need us to be our smartest, strongest selves to see them through these times. And we are. **Together.**

As we enter this next week, let us be mindful to stay together as a school community and keep the needs of our children going. We must stay healthy in mind and body for ourselves and families. **If you need to rest- do it! If you need a moment to experience your children or family with some fun- do it! If you want to create your own learning experiences for your children- do it! You know best for your needs and your children everyday.**

Know that the fibers of our school, PS 59, remains a support and resource for you. Our teachers continue to provide weekly plans and make the best of the time, applications and resources available to them so we can work to our best ability at home. That looks different for us all, but we are getting through it! When we are faced with new challenges, our educators adjust and pivot *to support* the adjustment and pivot that we, too, must make! *Doing it, Together!*

We work best together and will continue to be able to do so through this time.

Feel this part of the quilt that surrounds you and know **you are not alone.** Remember, you can reach out to your teachers, principal, assistant principal or parent coordinator and PTA if you have any questions, concerns or need support.

A continued THANK YOU to our first responders and first line community members!
EVERY EVENING at 7 pm please give a loud, 2-minute round of applause.

The PTA also would like to continue saying THANK YOU! TO OUR WHOLE SCHOOL COMMUNITY who takes part in making our children's school experience an AMAZING reality.

We are asking our families to ADD a message of thanks here on a shared/public album as often as you feel:
See Learn at Home page for link.

Continued peace and wellness to you and your family.
Be Well,



~Aja L Harris
PTA President

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For current details of activities and events, please check out our website and PTA calendar at [http://www.theharborviewsschool.my-pto.org/](http://www.theharborviewsschool.my-pto.org) A to Z Connect, your PTA information portal for emails and postings sign up: atozconnect.com/cls/login.php

Recognizing the importance of all our First Responders and all of those essential individuals who continue to be on the front line of this health crisis and providing services to our community. **THANK YOU!**

Feel free to participate in the call to action from NYC Council Member Debi Rose: If you are one of the thousands of Staten Islanders staying home to prevent the spread of COVID-19, thank you, too! I ask you to join me and New Yorkers across the city **EVERY EVENING at 7 pm to give a loud, 2-minute round of applause to all our essential workers.**

The PTA also would like to say **THANK YOU! TO OUR WHOLE SCHOOL COMMUNITY** who takes part in making our **children's school experience an AMAZING reality. WE LOVE YOU PS 59!!!**

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=== UPDATES of April Events ===

Spring/Sibling/Senior Pictures 2020

My Photos by Yearbook Innovations

If you have any questions regarding your photos, please take these steps:

- Call 718-761-7123
- Give your online code OR Student Name and PS 59
- State your question and someone will be available to assist you.
- If you get voicemail, please leave a message and you will be contacted as soon as possible.

Please note, they are limited in staff and are working to assist and respond with everyone as best as they can.

SI Federation Meetings- cancelled until further notice

Dine Out! at Shake Shack SI Mall, rescheduled for June 7, 2020. Subject to change.

PTA General Meeting April- cancelled. We will email and post key meeting details to family.

Community FUNdraiser event 4/26/2020- rescheduled for Sunday, June 7, 2020. Subject to change.

Have you seen these?...

<https://www.newsomatic.org/#get-free-access>

For students to have a safe, age-appropriate resource for global news. That's why we are offering free access to News-O-Matic for teachers, parents, and children through June 30. Our coronavirus coverage helps kids to understand what is happening — and to give them a global platform to share their experiences.

Home Connection Material Resources

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Story books are read by actors and actresses from the SAG-AFTRA Foundation

Audio Stories: <https://stories.audible.com/start-listen>

Story Videos: <https://www.storylineonline.net/>

Neighborhood Teddy Bear Hunt

<https://www.nytimes.com/2020/04/03/style/teddy-bear-scamper-hunt.html?searchResultPosition=1>

Lunch Doodles with Mo Willems

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL14hRqd0PELGbKihHuTqx_pbvCLqGbOkF&fbclid=IwAR2GTEAxpt-Mlh4F81RvXnB_L4UsN2WiC4wnFMrNlvk-vCHOd7t2MDr8Ab4

Tinkergarten Outdoor Activities

<https://tinkergarten.com/activities>

Home Connection Material Resources

Here are sight words and sight word cards to build fluency and word recognition. Please use these words to print out to play a matching game, make a word ring with index cards, write a journal entry using 5 of the words etc. These words are important for reading and writing. Please practice!

Sight words and Sight word cards:

First Grade Dolch List and Free Flashcards

<http://www.uniqueteachingresources.com/support-files/dolchsightwordsgrade1set.pdf>

Second Grade Dolch List and Free Flashcards

<http://www.uniqueteachingresources.com/support-files/dolchsightwordsgrade2set.pdf>

Dolch Noun List and Free Flashcards

<http://www.uniqueteachingresources.com/support-files/dolchsightwords95nouns.pdf>

Here are some free and educational internet sites and some things to keep the kids educated and entertained. Hope these help during your child's internet time!

www.starfall.com

Reading online!

www.abcya.com

www.pbskids.org

Great Pre-K resources, too!

<http://www.sheppardsoftware.com/>

Good for math!

Scholastic Releases Free daily courses for kids:

<https://classroommagazines.scholastic.com/support/learnathome.html>

Virtual Field Trips! Good for exploration and writing!

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<https://www.parents.com/health/healthy-happy-kids/5-mindfulness-and-meditation-apps-for-kids/>

<https://www.facebook.com/TheScienceMom/>

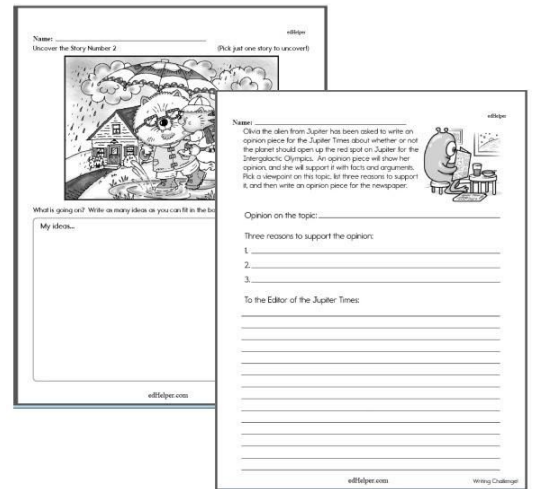
<https://www.storylineonline.net/>

<https://classroommagazines.scholastic.com/support/learnathome/grades-prek-k.html>

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Free Workbooks While School is Out for Parents

New **Worksheets** you will WANT to print today!
Writing - Small Books for Fun Writing Practice!
Just posted!!



First Grade Writing Challenge Workbook

Second Grade Writing Challenge Workbook

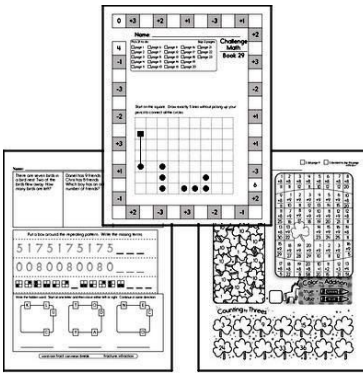
Third Grade Writing Challenge Workbook

Fourth Grade Writing Challenge Workbook

Fifth Grade Writing Challenge Workbook

Sixth Grade Writing Challenge Workbook

Math Worksheets



Kindergarten

First Grade

Second Grade

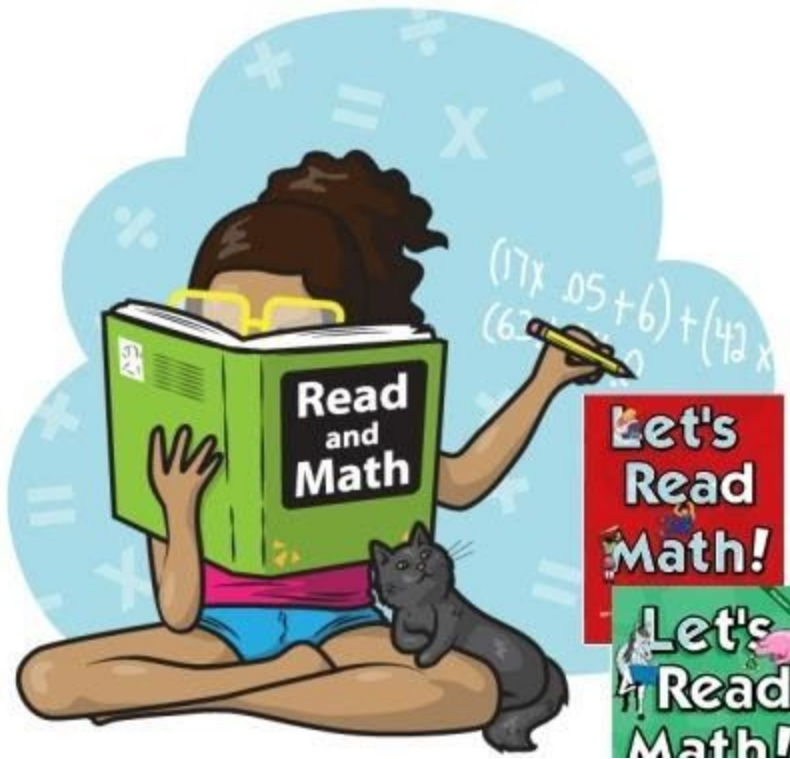
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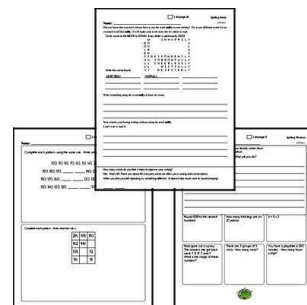
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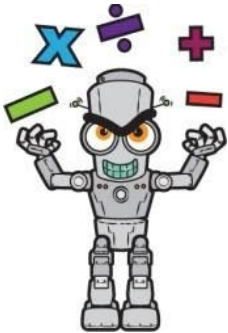
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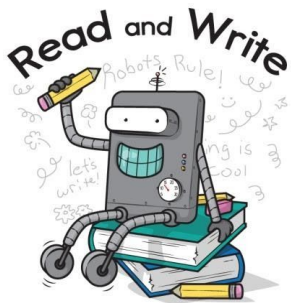
Fill Free Time

[Fast Finishers - Worksheets to Fill Time, for Morning Work, or Anytime!](#)

Mad Minute Timed Math Drill Worksheets - Quicker pages to practice addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division.



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[Top Teacher Resources For Pre-K through High School:](#)

<http://workbooks.edhelper.com/c/135543?id=90095181.26658.1.ec59d8bf5139af4805434d6eacbfd50e>

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